

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 154

In Memory
of
Jan Garrett

WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the passing of admired physician Jan Hansen Garrett of Tyler on July 16, 2024, at the age of 83; and

WHEREAS, The son of Dr. James Marion Garrett and Annabelle Hansen Garrett, Jan Garrett was born in Temple on June 14, 1941; he graduated from The University of Texas at Austin and Baylor University College of Medicine; after serving as a general medical officer in the U.S. Navy, he completed his orthopedic residency at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center; he established the Bone and Joint Clinic in Tyler, and in 1992, he became founding president of the Azalea Orthopedics clinic; he was adored by his patients, staff, and colleagues and received many honors, including induction into the Bethesda Health Clinic Doctor Luke Society in 2019; over the years, he held positions at the UT Tyler Health Science Center and several other hospitals, and he was a founding member of the Baylor Scott & White Texas Spine & Joint Hospital and president of Ambulatory Surgical Center of Tyler; for more than two decades, he served on the board of Physicians Contracting Organization of Texas; he retired in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Garrett married the love of his life, the former Madonna Sue Jones, on August 21, 1965, and they were blessed with two daughters, Jennifer and Laura; eventually, he knew the joy of becoming the proud grandfather of Patrick and Annabelle; he and Sue Garrett shared a fulfilling relationship

until her death in 2017; fortunate enough to find love a second time, he married Elen Moncrieff on December 29, 2018; his many interests included wine, classical music, travel, golf, reading, and collecting and sharing first edition books; and

WHEREAS, Although Jan Garrett is deeply missed, his strong faith, great kindness, and immense devotion to his family will remain a source of inspiration to all who were privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. Jan Hansen Garrett and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Elen Garrett; to his daughters, Jennifer Deen and her husband, Patrick, and Laura Jones and her husband, Matt; to his grandchildren, Patrick Deen Jr. and Annabelle Gardner; to his siblings, Mary Joyce and Chris, Steve, and Mike Garrett; and to his many other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jan Garrett.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 26, 2025, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate