



Dr. Ken A. Wetherington

April 4, 1960 - January 24, 2018

Dr. Ken A. Wetherington, 57, of Plant City, Florida, born on April 4, 1960, entered into eternal rest on January 24, 2018. He owned Health Solutions of Brandon, and loved his practice and his patients. He had a real passion for coaching, and coached competitive softball for over 20 years. He was a member of First Baptist Church Plant City, where he had taught Sunday School for many years. He was a devoted husband and father; he enjoyed entertaining his family and friends at the lake house and teaching them to waterski. He also enjoyed golfing. He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Kristi Wetherington; children, Erika Wetherington of Tampa, and Brock Wetherington of Plant City; sisters, Julie Young (Ray) of Plant City and Jan Bohner of Boca Raton; brother-in-law, Keith Dreggors (Lisa) of Plant City; father, Lewis Wetherington (Linda) of Plant City; parents-in-law, Freddie and Janice Dreggors of Plant City; nieces and nephews, Whitney Bohner, Paige Bohner, Parker Bohner all of Boca Raton, and Lauren Gladson (Forrest) of Tennessee; and great nieces, Tinsley and Landry Gladson. He was preceded in death by his mother, Janis Cotten; and nephew, Dane Dreggors. A Celebration of Life will be held Monday, January 29 at Noon at First Baptist Church Plant City, 503 N Palmer Street, Plant City, where the family will receive friends from 10:00 A.M. to Noon. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, www.heart.org, and/or Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Pediatric Cancer Research, www.alexslimonade.org. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 29. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Plant City
3309 James L Redman Pkwy
Plant City, FL 33566
<http://fbcpc.com>

Celebration of Life

JAN 29. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Plant City
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<http://fbcpc.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington



Hopewell Funeral Home - January 27, 2018 at 05:46 PM

JF

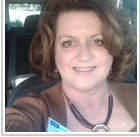
“ I was so very sad to hear of Ken's passing. He was a wonderful human being and a very good friend during our high school years. Heaven certainly got that much richer. Prayers for his family. God bless. Jennifer Fenner

Jennifer Fenner - March 27, 2018 at 07:12 PM

GL

“ My Condolences to you his family who are left behind. I know your hearts must be broken. God Bless you all. Gwen Lujan (patient)

Gwen Lujan - March 19, 2018 at 03:13 PM



“ I am so stunned to hear of Dr. Ken's passing- I knew him through his business, and as a Sales Rep with many different kinds of customers, I always enjoyed meeting with him the most- he was a true Man of God, and so easy to work with. No matter what kind of day he might be having- he always had a calm and professional demeanor, with lots of smiles and a positive attitude! He will be missed in so many ways, and it was a pleasure to have known him. God bless his family and give them the strength and peace that passeth all understanding.
Leslie

Leslie Ivory - February 08, 2018 at 09:44 PM



“ Kristi, Erica and Brock, we are so very sorry to hear about Ken. We pray that you will have God's peace and strength to get you through this. I'm hoping that the family memories you have in your heart will help you smile and be comforting. Donny and Debbie Coleman

Debbie Coleman - January 29, 2018 at 09:05 PM

DD

“ Today I attended Dr Ken’s Celebration of Life a friend and colleague. So hard to imagine just recently talking at our chiropractic convention how the years have gone by since helping his family when he was to start Life University. I reminded him how proud I was of him.

It is known to receive the title “doctor” is academic but in Latin it means “to teach”. How true Dr. Ken taught the Love of Jesus (please accept to see him again), he taught the Love of family, he taught us the Love of our profession to give so much of oneself for others as a doctor or coach.

I know as a small seed or acorn can grow a tree I know all the good he has done and shared in the lives of many is going to grow an incredible forest.

Maybe gone but not forgotten.

- Dr Brenda K. Dukes



Dr. Brenda K. Dukes - January 29, 2018 at 03:31 PM

FP

“ As a patient, my first time to see Doc 'W' was in 1999. Then, Jan 1992, my vehicle was hit in the rear while I was sitting at a red light. Neck and back injuries could only be helped by Doc and Dr. House. There was years of pain and Dr. 'W' was the one that kept me going, to function as best I could from those injuries. There were visits with Dr. Morgan, Dr. Attar, Dr. Santiago, Dr. Del Villar throughout the years. Highest ethics of the physicians and staff were always given to their patients. I'm certain that has not changed.

The one thing that did change for my good was I went gluten-free and the pain became less. This led to conversations with the doctor about how this can ease pain. A healthy lifestyle, food choices, all the things we find so hard to do. He supported me and my efforts, even though fewer visits were required. Sometimes I would drop by the practice to say hello and leave some goodies. Dr. 'W' liked my music recordings. His favorite song "There is Power in the Blood", I recorded for him. He said he enjoyed listening to the CD's while driving to and from work.

So, you can read, knowing I have known this wonderful man for many years. Always honest, compassionate, and caring about every patient and their families. He prayed for us as a family when we had troubles and trials. That was the man and the Christian life he lived every day in or outside his practice. God wanted him to watch over us from heaven and I'm confident Dr. 'W' is doing that. Take comfort and have peace. God bless all.

Former patient - Paulette - January 29, 2018 at 08:48 AM

FP

1990 was my first visit.

Former patient - Paulette - January 29, 2018 at 09:58 AM

PF

“ *Brandon suffered a terrible loss, of a great physician Wednesday. I was, and continue to be, in a state of shock. Only God knows why. God can give comfort and strength to his family for loss of a husband, child, Dad, and sibling. In time, we may accept God's timing for Doc to go be with our Lord at his young 57. Our peace is in knowing God's purpose will be made known, in full, when we meet God and see Dr. Wetherington again, in heaven. May God bless and comfort everyone who feels the agony, loss, and pain today.*



Paulette Herres and family - January 28, 2018 at 07:13 PM

WA

“ *I first met Ken on the softball field in the early 1980s. He was a great guy and a decent player. Spent some time letting him fix some of the sins of my youth. Sorry to see him leave this world early. Heaven is his New residence.*

wayne - January 28, 2018 at 04:39 PM

CM

“ *Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the family of Ken Wetherington, who was known to our family over the years as coach and treating physician. He is remembered by us as being kind, compassionate, and professional in all aspects of his life. He was an inspiration on how to live life with grace, and we feel honored to have known him. Walter, Christy, Katelyn (Phelps) Molkenthin*

Christy Molkenthin - January 28, 2018 at 12:46 PM

CH

“ Dear Jan and family,

Please accept our deepest sympathies over the loss of your dear brother. You have so many wonderful memories that will help to get you through this very difficult time.

You are in our thoughts,

Love

Bob and Cheryle

cheryle - January 27, 2018 at 08:17 PM

BB

“ *My condolences to the family and everyone that is hurting over the loss of this wonderful human being. Dr. Ken was my doctor for the last 4 years and from the very first day we met he treated you like a friend not a patient. He would listen to what you had to say and then discuss what to do about the issue but there was always time to talk about my dogs or where we had camped as well as what he was doing. Never in a rush to the next room as most doctors are these days. I feel like a lost a close friend though I hardly knew him as many others have written, but I am heartbroken that the world has lost such a great person. God has a special place for you Dr. Ken, but you will be missed here!*

barry bogart - January 27, 2018 at 07:20 PM



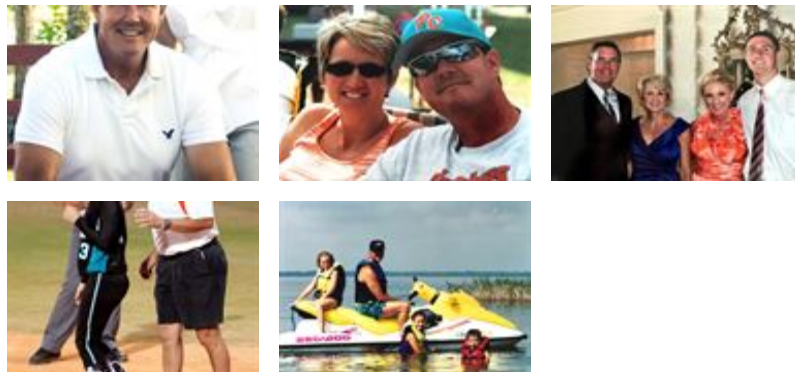
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.*



January 27, 2018 at 04:29 PM



“ 64 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Hopewell Funeral Home - January 27, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ *With deepest sympathy, Joyce & Rick Finn purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.*



With deepest sympathy, Joyce & Rick Finn - January 27, 2018
at 12:24 PM

GW

“ We want you, the family & staff to know how sorry we are at the passing of Dr. Wetherington. We knew him for only a few weeks but what a unique man he was.
He genuinely cared for George & encouraged him . It was quite evident he trusted
in the Lord and definitely "Let his Light Shine"... You just trust now that when there
is no answer we hold the hand of the One who knows all & cares for us. Ken was a
man who loved his wife, adored his children & had a special love for his father. He lived his faith on a daily basis ... no more can be asked of any man. We will miss him.

George & Pat Weatherly

George Weatherly - January 27, 2018 at 11:53 AM

JF

“ I am at a loss for words over the loss of my doctor, "Doc." Wetherington, who over the course of many years, also became my good friend. He was never anything but kind to me, and I will miss him very much. Sending my love and prayers to his family.

Joyce Finn - January 27, 2018 at 11:23 AM

LD

“ *Family and Friends,*

Words cannot express how I felt when I got the phone call. Certainly one that you'd expect,

I knew Ken from 1976 when my family and I moved to Plant City and started attending Southside Baptist and we were in the same youth Sunday School class. I remember Ken being Mr Personality and making me laugh. I was glad I saw him and got to talk with him a couple of times in recent years. No doubt how much he is loved and how much he will be missed.

From one of my favorite songs, I offer these words :

*"One thing you need and nothing more,
To hear the whisper of your Lord.
Be still and know that I am God.
Rest in the arms of My embrace."*

My love to all.

Laura Halford Derryberry - January 27, 2018 at 07:55 AM

LD

Sorry. I meant NOT one you'd expect.

Laura Halford Derryberry - January 27, 2018 at 07:57 AM

LL

“ I'm so very, very sorry to hear that Dr. Wetherington passed away. What a shock. We had some nice talks over the 20 years I was his patient. He was a great guy. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Luciana Lancaster

Luciana Lancaster - January 26, 2018 at 03:58 PM

FD

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Wetherington, Kristi, and Brock while visiting my parents in Fla and taking my father for a treatment. Now I know why my parents spoke so highly of your entire family and why they wanted me to meet you all. Ken was clearly passionate about all he did, and cared tremendously for others.....far beyond his profession.

Your family and staff will be in our thoughts and prayers.

*Fred Dean Jr.
Pittsburgh, PA*

fred dean - January 26, 2018 at 03:33 PM



“ Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.



January 26, 2018 at 03:12 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.*



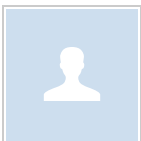
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“ *As patients of Dr. Wetherington, we knew him as a man of faith who shared openly and unashamedly his love for the Lord. He had that wonderful gift of encouraging others and was genuinely concerned for those around him, be it family, patients or friends. He will certainly be missed, and we'll be praying for his family, his staff, and his friends as they learn to adjust to life without him. How comforting to know he is now with the Lord, whom he loved and served and spoke about so often. We are honored to have known him.*

*Art & Cathy Sagendorf
Brandon, FL*

Art-Cathy Sagendorf - January 26, 2018 at 10:53 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.*



January 26, 2018 at 10:01 AM

RR

“ *Rand and Mary Reese purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.*



Rand and Mary Reese - January 26, 2018 at 09:56 AM



“ *I remember little league and beyond...Ken was a respected softball coach and all around genuinely nice person. Our sincere sympathy to Kristi, Erika and Brock.*

Lynn and Steve Reece

Lynn Reece - January 26, 2018 at 09:47 AM

DG

“ *My heart is broken over the passing of this amazing Godly man - just these past two weeks in his office - he took the time to just sit and share with me his love for God, his love for the kids he coached and taught over the years - his love for his family . He even shared valuable lessons that his dad had taught him that he carried with him all these years. Just this last week, we talked about music and how beautiful his wife and daughter sing!!! We talked about singing the old hymns of the faith and how those old songs would come to mind in the mornings and minister to his heart! Sitting in his office, he gave me invaluable advice and encouraged me!!! He loved His Lord and served Him unashamedly! I am blessed to have known him ! He helped me physically and spiritually! Praying for his staff, his friends and his family that he loved so dearly!*

Daye Goforth - January 26, 2018 at 09:32 AM

MG

“*Kristi, Erica, and Brock: We are shocked and saddened at this tremendous loss to you, as well as many others who are grieving today. When we raise our children, we hope and pray they will grow into adulthood able to enjoy a happy, productive life. Ken was one of those. He touched so many lives and enjoyed a wonderful reputation as a husband and father, and also a compassionate doctor. Perhaps most important was his witness as a Christian man who will be greatly missed by so many. Praying for that peace that passes all understanding for you and all the family. Joe and Myra*

Myra Gregory - January 26, 2018 at 09:22 AM

RF

“*I am so sorry to hear of Kens passing. Such a wonderful man. Lifting you up in prayer. May God's peace and comfort that surpasses all understanding envelope your family.*

Ruth Ann Foster - January 26, 2018 at 06:21 AM

JD

“*We wish to extend our sincere condolences to this family. Special thoughts to Julie & Ray Young at the loss of her brother. Love & prayers for peace & comfort during this difficult time!*

Judy Drawdy - January 26, 2018 at 02:43 AM

PM

“*Kristi ,Terry and I are heartbroken for you! Ken was always the most kindest man to us.We both went to him but have known you both for years and he was the best to his patients and you guys were the most precious couple.He always spoke with so much love for you Brock and Erica.You all will be in our prayers and. He will be missed by so many.*

Pam Miller - January 25, 2018 at 10:38 PM

Stacy
Dunn

“ Jeff and I are so very sorry for your family's loss. We have known Ken for a number of years now, and always held him in high regard as a wonderful, friendly, caring man. Jeff had a great deal of respect for him as a colleague; he helped so many patients through the years. Your family is in our thoughts and we are praying for comfort & peace for all of you.



Stacy Dunn - January 25, 2018 at 08:46 PM

ME

“ We first met Ken at First Baptist Church Dover in 1976, when he just a teenager. Our dad, Bill Millican, pastored the church & played alongside Ken on the church softball team. Then later, our dad was honored to officiate Ken and Kristi's wedding ceremony 29 years ago. So it was only a natural thing when our parents needed medical expertise that they sought out Ken's services. Besides being an expert in his chiropractic field, Ken added a personal, compassionate component to his practice. His knowledge and caring disposition greatly enriched my parents' lives as he helped them physically & emotionally. Ken's love for God and genuine tender heart for people was so refreshing to see, and he will be greatly missed by our family.
The Millican Family

Melody - January 25, 2018 at 08:16 PM

CM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Kristi and family. - Cheryl
Isham Mallow

Cheryl Isham Mallow - January 25, 2018 at 08:15 PM

Mike N
Honesty
Howard

“ Ken, my daughter and my family are forever touched by the effort, love and patience you put into those girls. We all looked forward to getting our Sunday School lesson at Sunday tournaments. I am going to miss you immensely my friend. I love you Ken. I will see you in heaven in a few years. You really were a great role model and a Christian one at that. Your influence on our girls will be with them for the rest of their lives. You made a position impact on everyone you met and you are going to be missed immensely, and thought of often. We love you Ken!

Mike N Honesty Howard - January 25, 2018 at 07:34 PM

LH

“ Love, Shayna & Lora Harmon purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.



Love, Shayna & Lora Harmon - January 25, 2018 at 07:21 PM

AS

“ April Fleming Sullivent lit a candle in memory of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington



April Fleming Sullivent - January 25, 2018 at 07:12 PM

DM

“*Kristi, I am speechless and heart broken. I've known Ken for most of my life through elementary school, Little League, our countless "Super Bowl" renditions and "Masters golf tournaments" pretending to be Jack Nicklaus and Johnny Miller in his front yard when we were kids, high school, college and the seemingly thousands of rounds of golf and hundreds of tennis matches we played together. While I have no doubt that Ken is thriving in Heaven right now my heart aches for you and your children. I can only pray that God will give your family peace through all of this.*

Donald Murray - January 25, 2018 at 06:10 PM

CA

“*Yesterday heaven took home the most amazing person who has ever walked into my life. He was more than just a softball coach. He helped me to grow up, and to always live my life through faith, and he always encouraged me to be the best person I could be, on and off the field. I'm going to miss being able to visit you when I need advice, I'm going to miss your warm smile that always could make me smile, and I'm going to miss your unconditional love and support that you always gave me through everything. You will always be a part of me Coach Ken, and I will forever love and miss you until one day i see you again. Sleep easy Coach ❤️*

Cailey - January 25, 2018 at 06:09 PM

JA

“*Always had a twinkle in his eye and a good story! You'll be greatly missed. Thankful you were a man of faith.*
Janet

Janet - January 25, 2018 at 05:59 PM

BM

“ *Julie and Ray;
I am so sorry to hear about Ken's passing, thoughts and prayers to
you both and the rest of the family
Becky Martin*

Becky Martin - January 25, 2018 at 04:47 PM

RL

“ *Our family has always remembered you Ken, as coach to our son
Myles, and all of our years in Little League base ball. Always a man
of kind and gentle words and acts. May you rest in peace, may your
dear family find peace and joy in the memories you made. Love,
Robert & Rachel Layman and sons, Trevor and Myles Layman.*

Robert and Rachel Layman - January 25, 2018 at 04:31 PM

PM

“ I will be forever indebted to Coach Ken for the positive influence he had on our family, particularly my daughter during some of the most impressionable times of her life. I'll never forget his perfectly thought out Bible studies at our weekend softball tournaments that were intended for the girls but had all the parents enthralled with every lesson. Each Sunday it was clear that God was speaking through Ken as the message would always seem too on-topic as to what was happening in our lives at that moment. And I won't soon forget how this accomplished man remained so humble, always finding ways to make others feel special. While it felt like an honor to be around him, he always made it feel the other way around. I am proud to have known Ken these past several years. Through his own life and mentorship to others, he has without question, inspired me to be a better father, leader and more importantly a better human being. So while your work here on Earth is done my friend, I want for you to know that I will forever feel your presence in spirit. On this day, God brought home one heck of an Angel! We thank you for the love you shared and look forward to seeing you again someday. We will never forget you. With love and appreciation, Paul M.

Paul Melancon - January 25, 2018 at 04:24 PM

RI

“ Kristi and family, God bless you and please know we have you on our hearts and in our prayers. You are so very special to us, and we are so grateful for the touch you made in our hearts. Love you and your family.

Ron & Nancy Isham - January 25, 2018 at 04:13 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Ken A. Wetherington.* ”



January 25, 2018 at 03:22 PM