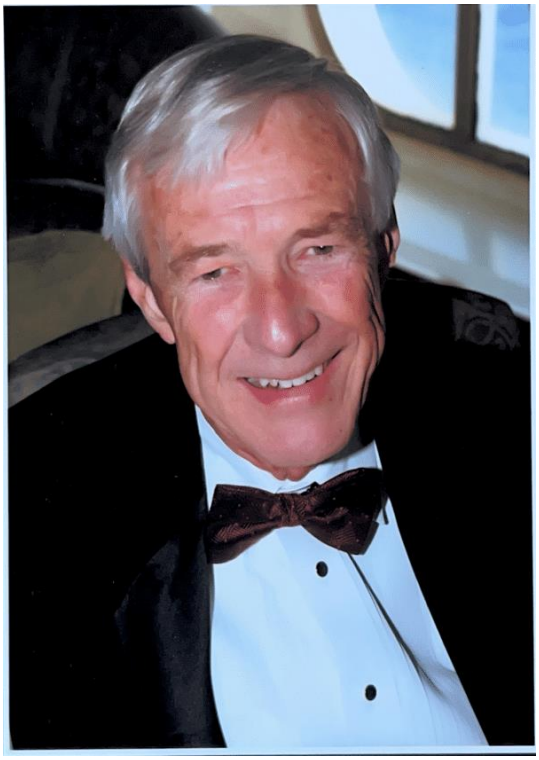

DR. HAL CECIL ANDERSON

Hal Cecil Anderson, MD, 88, passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 17, 2024. Hal was born on December 23, 1935 in Timmonsville, SC, son of the late Juanita Swilley and Hallie Cecil Anderson.

Hal graduated Salutatorian from Timmonsville High School in 1954, where he was a member of the Varsity Football team, the Marching Band and an Eagle Scout. He graduated from the University of South Carolina in 1958 with a BS in Biology and he was a member of the Marching Band & Concert Band.

Upon graduation Hal married Margaret (Mickey) Caughman on June 8, 1958, in Lexington, SC. They were the first couple to be married in St. Stephen's Lutheran Church's new sanctuary. Hal graduated from the Medical University of SC in Charleston in 1962.

After his medical internship in Savannah, GA Hal served as a Captain in the US Air Force at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, Goldsboro, NC, completing his clinicals in Pediatrics. Following his military service, he finished his Pediatric Residency in Charlottesville, VA. Hal and Mickey settled in Rock Hill, SC in 1968.

Hal begin his pediatric practice in Rock Hill with the late Dr. Ben Ardrey. Together they later formed Rock Hill Pediatrics Association. Hal specialized in juvenile diabetes. Hal loved every minute of serving others as a physician, and after his retirement in 2000 he continued to serve others by volunteering at York County Health Department and York County Resource Clinic.

Hal and Mickey joined Grace Lutheran Church in 1968, continuing their life of service and building lasting friendships. Hal served as President of the Church Council multiple terms as well as leading the Building Committee, Stewardship Committee and many other organizations in the church. Hal was also involved in his community, serving Pilgrims Inn, Rock Hill Kiwanis, United Way Board, York County Medical Society, SC Medical Society, Pediatric Society of SC, MUSC Advisory Board and many others. Moving to Lake Wylie channeled his love of the water and created a setting for his Master Gardener skills; upon retirement he also enjoyed golfing with friends.

As a passionate Gamecock fan Hal and Mickey established a scholarship at USC, hoping to share their passion for Science and Education with young students.

His family will remember Hal's kindness to others and his love for his family. Hal was predeceased by his wife Mickey of 61 years. Hal leaves behind his two children, Elizabeth Anderson Arnall (Steve) and Jonathan Hal Anderson (Mary Kirk); grandchildren: Kristen Arnall Wigington (Tucker), Davis Andrew Arnall (Kelly), Jonathan Lang Arnall (Allison), Crawford Philipp Anderson (Alexx), Loughlin Davis Anderson and Hallie Katherine Anderson; step grandchildren: Lydia Johnston Morton and Marshall Morton IV; great grandchildren: Wyatt Stephen Wigington, Henry Tucker Wigington, and Miller Elizabeth Wigington; sister-in-law: Wilma Taylor Bucy.

A private celebration of life will be held at Christ Lutheran Church, Charlotte, NC. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Grace Lutheran Church, 426 Oakland Avenue, Rock Hill, SC 29730, or The Hal & Mickey Anderson Science Education Scholarship at the University of South Carolina, University Development, 1600 Hampton Street, Suite 736, Columbia, SC 29208.