



Morris E. Katz

October 28, 1914 - October 28, 2016

Dr. Morris E. Katz of Sarasota, Florida, died on his 102nd birthday, October 28, 2016.

He was born in Athol, Massachusetts, the youngest of the six offspring of Ruben and Eva Katz. He graduated Tusculum College in Tennessee in 1937 and went on to the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine where he earned his MD degree in 1942. He interned at the William W. Bacchus Hospital in Norwich, Connecticut in 1941-1942 where he met Frieda Hillson whom he married in 1943. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in that same year and served as a battalion surgeon with the 28th Infantry Division under the command of General Omar Bradley until 1945, retiring with the rank of Major.

In 1950 Dr. Katz opened an ENT practice in Norwich that he maintained until his retirement in 1987 when he and Frieda moved to Sarasota, Florida. Frieda died in 1994. Dr. Katz had been an very active member of the Glenridge on Palmer Ranch community where he lived independently until just a few weeks before his death. His life companion Gertrude Gordon died in 2010.

Graveside services at the National Cemetery in Sarasota will be held on Wednesday, November 16, at 1:30pm .

Those wishing to make donations in his memory should send them to the

Morris E. Katz and Frieda Hillson Katz Endowment Fund of the University of Oklahoma Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 258856, Oklahoma City, OK 73125.