
In memoriam

JAMES M. COPPS, MD

Department of Ophthalmology, Baylor University Medical Center

Dr. James Copps died unexpectedly on July 18, 2004. Born on May 25, 1926, in Marshfield, Wisconsin, he graduated from Carlton College. After 2 years in the US Army, he earned his medical degree from the University of Wisconsin Medical School in Madison and completed his residency at the university. Dr. Copps was associated with Dallas Medical and Surgical Clinic and later with Texas Medical and Surgical Associates of Dallas. He was a clinical professor of ophthalmology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and was on BUMC's medical staff.

ROSS L. CURTESS, JR., MD

Department of Surgery, Baylor University Medical Center

Ross L. Curtess, Jr., MD, was born on January 16, 1919, in Drumright, Oklahoma, and died on June 14, 2004, at age 85. Dr. Curtess received his medical degree in 1949 and completed his surgical residency at BUMC in 1954. He practiced surgery at BUMC until retiring in 2000.

PADMA RAJAGOPAL, MD

Department of Internal Medicine, Baylor University Medical Center

Dr. Rajagopal died on April 14, 2004, at age 40. She was born in Bangalore, India, and moved with her family to New York state while she was young. After graduating from high school, she returned to Bangalore to earn her college and medical degrees. Dr. Rajagopal did her residency in hematology/oncology at Indiana University Medical Centers and began a private practice in Greenwood, Indiana. In 2000, she came to Dallas to join Texas Primary Care Associates.