## Dr. Myron Porter - 8/14/1932- 11/4/2023

Dr. Myron Porter, USN-R, passed away Saturday, November 4 in Pinehurst, NC. Dr. Porter was a Captain in the Naval Reserves and a practicing dentist in the Columbus area for many years. He also was a professor at The Ohio State University Dental School for over 20 years, eventually attaining Emeritus Professor and Chairman of the Prosthodontics Department.

He loved his God, his country, and his family. He believed in giving back and did so through his time and his generosity to anyone who needed his help. He had many professional accomplishments. In 1982, President Reagan presented him with the Meritorious Service Medal for his work establishing the first joint reserve dental clinic in the United States. He performed pioneering work in the field of TMJ (temporomandibular joint) dysfunction, helping countless people in their struggle with this disorder.

The family wishes to thank all their friends, both in Ohio and in North Carolina, who have been so loving and supportive throughout his last years. Special thanks to Doug Roberts, pastors Gregg Newton and Matthew Vanderwarker, Teresa Izor, and JD and Juanita. Thanks also to Terra Bella Shine care and Amedisys Hospice of North Carolina for the incredible care they provided. You were all rays of sunshine at a very dark time.

He is survived by his wife, Rita, of Pinehurst; daughter Teresa (Len) Horstman of Whispering Pines, NC; and his son, Richard, of Oakland Park, FL.

He has since been buried. Donations can be made to The Ohio State University's Dental School at <u>go.osu.edu/give-to-dentistry</u> or to the charity of your choice.