

Dr. Larry Holcomb
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Frederic Larry Holcomb was born in Birmingham, Alabama. He grew up in Birmingham, attending public schools. After graduation from Ramsey High School he attended Auburn University, majoring in chemical engineering. However, he decided to pursue his lifelong dream of being a physician. Being accepted to The Medical College of Alabama (UAB) he obtained a degree of Doctor of Medicine.

A residency in urology was then completed at Carraway Methodist Medical Center in Birmingham. During that five year training period a two year interruption was necessary for a completion of his military obligation. He served in Vietnam-being discharged as a Major in the U.S. Army Medical Corps, and returned to complete his residency.

While in medical school he married Billie Burrow. Later he began practice of urology in Sheffield, Alabama. He was blessed with three children Scott, Lesley and Brandon, all of whom grew up in Sheffield. They attended Sheffield City Schools and graduated from Auburn University. Throughout his career Dr. Holcomb has been involved in many civic, school and professional endeavors, serving as campaign chairman for the medical committee for the United Way, the Tennessee Valley Arts board, the Sheffield Education Foundation board, as well as church related positions at First Methodist Church of Sheffield. Professionally he has been twice president of the Colbert County Medical Society and has served in numerous offices of the medical executive committee of both Shoals Hospital and Helen Keller Hospital. He was president and one of the founders of Valley Regional Cancer Center, the first radiation center in the area. Within his own practice he has spent thirty-seven years, which now has grown to include four urologists.

Throughout twenty-five years, Dr. Holcomb had the opportunity to serve as team physician for the Sheffield Bulldogs. During this time period he associated with many fine coaches, players, and administrators. Seeing these people mature in their education and athletic activities was a special reward. Also instituting some new effort in conditioning and playing that were brought through seminars, helped to fulfill a personal goal. After being inducted into the Colbert County Sports Hall of Fame he came to realize how truly blessed he has been.