

Dr. M.G. Selassie

October 6, 1932 - June 7, 2016

Dr. Mhreteab Gebre-Selassie, M.D., 84, went to be his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 in Huntsville, Texas at Huntsville Memorial Hospital. He was preceded in death by his father, Rev. Geber-Selassie Habtu, mother Abeba Gebre-Selassie, sister Miriam Gebre-Selassie and son Minab Mhreteab Gebre-Selassie.

Dr. Selassie is survived by his wife of 52 years Miriam Y. Gebre-Selassie, children Suzy Selassie-Michael & husband David Michael, Sofie GebreSelassie, Lliban Gebre-Selassie. Five grandchildren Samra Michael, Daniel Michael, Amaha Ghide, Melaki Ghide, and Yatana Ghide.

Siblings Tseggai Gebre-Selassie, Mebrak Gebreselassie, Woini Abebe, Salome Habte, and Mengis Gebre-Selassie and several cousins, nephews, and nieces.

Dr. Selassie attended University in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in 1953. He came to the U.S. in 1953 and attended Indiana University and got his B.A. degree. He graduated from Medical School at the University of Indiana in 1959. He continued his internship at Cook County Hospital in Chicago, IL. He worked as a physician in Addis Abeba, Ethiopia and as a Health Officer in Eritrea until 1964. In 1965, he returned to the U.S. to specialize in Internal Medicine at the Hines V.A. Hospital in Illinois. He returned to Addis Abeba in 1970 and was in charge of Medical Wards at the Ministry of Public Health of Ethiopia. In 1976, he became affiliated with the Chicago Hospital, Norwegian American Hospital, and Mary Thompson Hospital in Illinois. In 1979, he moved to Huntsville,

Texas and started private practice. He was also the Walker County Health Officer starting in 1983. After many years of practice, he retired and traveled with his wife and friends.

He will be remembered as a loving husband, father, and playful grandfather who dedicated himself to family, friends, and community.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Eritrean Lutheran Church Outreach, at 8601 Chimney Rock, Houston, 77096.

Dr. Selassie will lie in state from 9:00 AM till 4:00 PM on Friday, June 10, 2016 at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. A funeral service will be held at 3:00 PM on Saturday, June 11, 2016 at Faith Lutheran Church in Huntsville, Texas. Interment will follow the service at Mayes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery in Huntsville, Texas.

Full obituary may be viewed and memorial condolences made to the family at www.shmfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Mayes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery

800 Martin Luther King BLVD.
Huntsville, TX 77320

Previous Events

Lie in State

JUN 10. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340
(936) 291-7300
belinda@shmfm.com

Service

JUN 11. 3:00 PM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church of Huntsville
111 Sumac Road
Huntsville, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. M.G. Selassie*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM

MI

Just knew about Dr. GhebreSelassie today after searching the internet. He was a nice person and wrote me a recommendation letter so I could attend Medical school. I remember the day we went to eat lunch at McDonalds and he took me to meet his family at his house.

Michael - November 24, 2022 at 05:45 PM

MI

Post

Michael - November 24, 2022 at 05:45 PM

YB

“ *Sister Miriam and the rest of the family, I am so sorry for your loss. I was saddened to hear that Dr. Mhreteab passes away. In fact I have found out while I was looking for him through the internet to know where he is living in USA. I am one of the Nurses who have worked with him in Ethiopia long time ago. He will be remembered in my heart . I wish I could have got the chance to meet him. How ever please accept my condolences.*

May God bless you all.

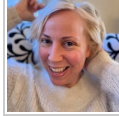
Yikerta Chane Belaye RN

yikerta chane belaye - July 19, 2016 at 12:33 AM

MS

*Thank you so much for your kind words. It means a lot.
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:15 PM



Hello Selassie family - this is Sunni Brown, Rocky Brown's sister. I found this notice of Dr. Selassie when I was looking for details about his son Minab and I wanted to let y'all know that I wrote this memory on Minab's Ancestry page. Dr. Selassie and you, Miriam, were a beautiful and gracious family for me to witness when I was growing up in Huntsville. Thank you for always welcoming us into your home.

"I remember Minab so clearly from growing up with him in Huntsville. He was close friends with my brother and all of us did all of the things kids do during that time in history - we played hide and seek, rode our bicycles, played pranks on neighbors, wrapped houses, etc. We loved Minab - he had a great sense of humor and was also so kind, and intelligent. I was in college when he died and I heard about it from my brother. It was heartbreaking. His mother, father, and other siblings were surely devastated. The entire family was elegant, intelligent, and they had a beautiful weeping willow tree in their front yard that I always remember for some reason. Godspeed, Minab. You are missed."

Sunni Brown - October 04, 2023 at 02:34 PM

FB

“ *My deepest condolences to the whole family! May Dr. Mehreteab rest in peace. Tsen'at yhabkum, abHasabna alekhum.*

Finhas Benyam

Finhas Benyam - June 18, 2016 at 04:01 PM

FG

Finhas Wedey/hawei, thank you so much for thinking and keeping us in your prayers. Greatly appreciated. Freweini

freweini G. Selassie, sister of Dr. M. G - June 23, 2016 at 09:25 AM

DM

“ *Dr. Selassie was an caring excellent physician and kind gentleman. During my association with him through the emergency room, he was always ready and willing to help with patients. Our community was blessed with his service and we have his family in our prayers.*

Darrel Wells MD - June 12, 2016 at 08:16 AM

MS

*Thank you so much for your kind words Dr. Wells.
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:17 PM

BW

“ *Brenda Wade lit a candle in memory of Dr.
M.G. Selassie*



brenda wade - June 11, 2016 at 08:58 PM

MS

*Thank you!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:17 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family
of Dr. M.G. Selassie.*



June 11, 2016 at 02:45 PM

SC

“ *My heart is totally breaking. Unfortunately, I
could not be there at the service. My love to
all of you....especially you, Miriam. DOC will
always remain within my heart forever and
always.*



Sharon Carter - June 11, 2016 at 01:16 PM

MS

*Thank you so much Sharon.
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:18 PM

AM

“*Dr. Mhreteab Gebreselassie was very kind and loving man of God. He has made a difference in many people's lives including myself. He was a cousin of my late husband Grmai Gebremascal but he was also like a father to me. Him and Miriam had me stay at their house before and after I had my children Mebrahtu and Lydia Grmai. They made sure I was comfortable during my stay with them and went the extra mile and encouraged me to get my first U.S. Drivers license. Between Him and Miriam, they used to give me one of their cars at their inconveniences so that I don't get bored staying home by myself while they were at work. I cherish the special moments that we had everyday of my stay at their house. Every evening at the dinner table everyone in the family shared laughter, story telling, jokes and card playing. On behalf of myself, Mebrahtu and Lydia, I pray that God rest Mhreteab in his kingdom and give the entire family strength during this difficult moment.*

*I love you all
Almaz Mussie*

ALMAZ MUSSIE - June 11, 2016 at 12:45 AM

MS

*Thank you Almazina. We treasure those memories too!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:20 PM

AM

“ *ALMAZ MUSSIE lit a candle in memory of Dr. M.G. Selassie*



ALMAZ MUSSIE - June 10, 2016 at 11:33 PM

PI

“ *Pamela Ivory lit a candle in memory of Dr. M.G. Selassie*



Pamela Ivory - June 10, 2016 at 09:52 PM

MS

*Thank you!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:21 PM

AM

“ *Miriam and family,
Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of Dr. Selassie. I
have such fond memories of the time that I worked as his nurse. He
had the kindest heart and the sweetest smile. May God's love and
mercy bring you peace and comfort.
Ana Maiorano*

Ana Maiorano - June 10, 2016 at 08:05 PM

MS

*Thank you Ana!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:21 PM

CS

“ I would like to send my condolences to the family on the behalf of the loss of their love one.and I can remember of Dr.Selassie been my doctor and my Mother and my grandmother.and he was a very nice and caring man.so rest now..because god knew best.
Cherolyn Stubblefield

Cherolyn Stubblefield - June 10, 2016 at 07:41 PM

MS

Thank you Cherolyn!
Miriam and family

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:22 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. M.G. Selassie.



June 10, 2016 at 06:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. M.G. Selassie.



June 10, 2016 at 04:01 PM

HJ

“ Prayers and thoughts to the family of Dr. Selassie, a very kind, caring and gentle spirit person. He was a blessing to the Huntsville community and he will be missed by many. May God Bless you all.



H Jones - June 10, 2016 at 01:28 PM

MS

Thank you very much!
Miriam and family

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:23 PM

SL

“ As a long time patient of Dr. Selassie, I was heartbroken when he retired and now I am doubly heartbroken to hear he has died. What a wonderful man and a great doctor, I know he saved my life at least once and probably many times more in less obvious ways. I hope his wife and children can replace their grief from losing him to joy over having him in their lives for so long.

Sandra Lillard

Sandra Lillard - June 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

MS

Thank you Sandra!
Miriam and family

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:24 PM

DH

“ Dr Selassie you will be missed you had a great and amazing life here in America and in Etheopia . Bless your family in this time . Love working with you over the many years . Dr and mrs Peter Holm

Dr and Mrs Peter Holm - June 10, 2016 at 11:49 AM

MS

*Thank you Dr and Mrs Holm!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:25 PM

TB

“ Doc and I began our Huntsville practices at the same time, in the same office on 15th Street. We waited hours sometimes for 1 or 2 patients. So, I came to know him well. What a gentle spirit and kind heart! He was a special fellow in our community. I enjoyed working with Doc for many years at HMH and counted him as a friend. He will be missed by many. My condolences and prayers are with his family.

Toni Bobruk - June 10, 2016 at 11:40 AM

MS

*Thank you Toni!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:26 PM

LR

“ I am so sorry for your loss.Doc was such a kind fellow. I was with him one day checking on him and he looked up at me and said.Dr.Selassie's pulse is just fine and laughed. Mrs. Selassie.You please take care of you. Love you. Linda Rutledge

Linda Rutledge - June 10, 2016 at 09:45 AM

MS

*Thank you Linda!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:27 PM

WD

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Dr. Selassie was such a nice man and a great neighbor for many years growing up in Forest Hills. God Bless his entire family! Our community will miss him.*

Will Durham

Will Durham - June 10, 2016 at 09:34 AM

MS

*Thank you Will!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:27 PM

BM

“ *I will never forget his kind, gentle spirit with patients and staff at the hospital. I pray for your peace and comfort. Barbara*

Barbara Molina - June 10, 2016 at 09:17 AM

MS

*Thank you Barbara!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:28 PM

MJ

“ *Morris Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dr. M.G. Selassie*



Morris Johnson - June 10, 2016 at 08:23 AM

MS

*Thank you Mr. Johnson!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:29 PM

GB

“ *Glenn & Marcette Brackeen lit a candle in memory of Dr. M.G. Selassie*



Glenn & Marcette Brackeen - June 10, 2016 at 08:22 AM

MS

*Thank you Marcette and Glen!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:29 PM

KR

“ *It was a pleasure to work with Dr Selassie. He was a very kind and caring physician. He will be missed.*



Kelly Reed - June 10, 2016 at 07:53 AM

MS

*Thank you Kelly!
Miriam and family!*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:30 PM

PA

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers!

Patel family- Aroon, Jasu, Jignesh, Ajay, Sheetal, Kaelan, Mikhil

patel - June 10, 2016 at 07:17 AM

MS

*Thank you Patel family!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:30 PM

DB

“ To the family and friends I send my deepest heart felt sympathy in the loss of your dear love one he will be truly missed.



Deborah Bowden-Ragston - June 10, 2016 at 06:55 AM

MS

*Thank you Deborah!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:31 PM

BI

“ Dear Family Members of Dr. Selassie,
I want to let you know how much I appreciate the kindnesses of Dr. Selassie shown to my parents on and off during their time in Huntsville. Dr. Selassie's sincere and sweet spirit and soul shined through. I am sorry for your loss. May God grant you peace.
Sincerely,
Dr. Beverly J. Irby

Beverly Irby - June 10, 2016 at 06:52 AM

MS

Thank you Dr. Irby!
Miriam and family

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:32 PM

SH

“ To the family my prayers are with you during this time. Dr. Selassie was a kind and gentle man. The care and concern he had for his patients was outstanding. I never heard him speak an unkind word. I was lucky enough to work with him at HMM. Thank you for sharing him with the hospital and the community. He was a blessing to all.

Sheree Hardcastle-Stump - June 09, 2016 at 10:51 PM

MS

Thank you Sheree!
Miriam and family

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:33 PM

TD

“ Tamara Dixon lit a candle in memory of Dr. M.G. Selassie



Tamara Dixon - June 09, 2016 at 10:22 PM

MS

Thank you Tamara!
Miriam and family

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:33 PM



“ Mrs. Selassie and family your husband/father was an amazing man...he touched many lives in this town as he did mine. I never heard him say an unkind word about anyone, saw the concern in his eyes for those he took care of, and remember hearing the love in his voice when he talked about his family. Thank you for sharing him with those that consider him their extended family at HMH. He will be missed.

Terri Bohanon - June 09, 2016 at 10:17 PM

MS

Thank you Terri!
Miriam and family

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:34 PM

JM

“ It was a pleasure to have worked with Dr Selassie at HMH, he was such a kind and gentle soul. May he rest in peace. My sympathy to his family and friends.

Judy McDonald - June 09, 2016 at 10:06 PM

MS

*Thank you Judy!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:34 PM

MA

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Dr. Selassie has a quiet, gentle spirit. Being in his presence was uplifting. May he rest in peace.*

Marjorie Archie - June 09, 2016 at 10:04 PM

MS

*Thank you Marjorie!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:34 PM

DG

“ *Prayers orb he family . Dr. Selassie was a gentle soul. He will be missed.*

Debbie Grisham - June 09, 2016 at 09:50 PM

MS

*Thank you Debbie!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:35 PM

EC

“ *Thank you for sharing your life with all us here in Huntsville. It was my pleasure to have known you. May you rest in Peace through the eternities*

Earl & Sherry Carter - June 09, 2016 at 09:27 PM

MS

*Thank you both!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:36 PM

EC

“ *Earl&Sherry Carter sent a virtual gift in memory
of Dr. M.G. Selassie*



Earl&Sherry Carter - June 09, 2016 at 09:25 PM

MS

Thank you!

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:36 PM

RL

“ *I would like to express my sympathy to your family-I worked with Dr
Selassie-he was one of my favorite doctors-loved that smile and so
kind-he will be missed greatly*

Rebecca Luchak - June 09, 2016 at 09:23 PM

MS

*Thank you Rebecca!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:37 PM

MS

“ *Megan Slaven lit a candle in memory of Dr. M.G. Selassie*



megan slaven - June 09, 2016 at 09:20 PM

MS

*Thank you Megan!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:37 PM

KC

“ *Lifting your family up in prayer and may you rest in the comfort of the savior's arms.
Karen Collisson*

Karen Collisson - June 09, 2016 at 08:48 PM

MS

*Thank you Karen!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:37 PM

CE

“ *Doc you will be missed , esp by your Faith Lutheran Family.. In Christ, Charlotte Efird*



Charlotte Efird - June 09, 2016 at 04:32 PM

MS

*Thank you Charlotte!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:38 PM

MW

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Your family is in
our thoughts and prayers.*

Mellicent Sikes Wiley & Family



Mellicent Sikes Wiley - June 09, 2016 at 02:51 PM

MS

*Thanks to all of you!
Miriam and family*

Miriam Selassie - July 22, 2016 at 09:38 PM