John Sanford "Jack" Terrell



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John S. Terrell, M.D., retired director of Brown Lupton Health Center, Texas Christian University, died Saturday, July 14, 2012, in Kansas City, Mo. Memorial service: Noon Friday, Aug. 3, at Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home. Memorials: In his memory, please consider gifts to High Frontier, Box 1325, Fort Davis, Texas 79734; Presbyterian Night Shelter, Box 2645, Fort Worth, Texas 76113; or in Taffy's honor, Humane Society of North Texas, 1840 E. Lancaster, Fort Worth, Texas 76103. John Sanford Terrell was born on March 26, 1935, in Fort Worth to Caleb Odhelius Terrell, M.D., and Blanche Eveline Osborne Terrell, M.D. The

Terrell family were pioneers in providing health care in Fort Worth and Dr. Terrell carried on with honor and distinction. Dr. Terrell earned a B.A. in biological sciences from Stanford University in 1956. He attended University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston and earned an M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1960. He also completed graduate work at Harvard University in medical care of the adolescent and Texas Christian University in student personnel administration. His clinical training and academic appointments included University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Dallas, and Children's Hospital University of Michigan. In 1973 he was named the medical director of TCU Health Center and held other positions with Tarrant County Medical Education and Research Foundation until his retirement in 2007. He was an expert in adolescent medicine and was an extraordinary diagnostician, physician and health administrator. He brought health care at TCU into the forefront of college health. Dr. Terrell also was a captain in the Air Force Medical Corps in 1962-63 and a member of the board of High Frontier. He was predeceased by a son, Jeffrey Scott Terrell. Survivors: Son, Caleb Osborne Terrell III and his wife, Catherine Anne, and their daughters, Isabella and Georgia; brother, Truman Osborne Terrell and his wife, Margaret "Peggy" Jay Terrell; niece, Julie Terrell Jay Ford and her husband, Michael; many family friends, including Carol Sweeney, Bill and Carol McKay and family, Gene James, Marilyn Hallam and Dr. Edward M. McNertney, Charles Dubuis, Dr. Burton and Judith Schwartz and family, Joe Walker, Douglas Schark, and all at Eggetc restaurant in Kansas City; and especially, Taffy, his beloved dog friend.

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