



## IN MEMORIAM

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### **Max L. Dimick, MD, 1917-2004**

Dr. Max L. Dimick, who delivered more than 5,000 babies during nearly 35 years of practice in Sacramento, and whose name is part of the Arden-Dimick Library on Watt Avenue, died at his home in Sacramento on October 2. He had been active in the Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society since 1950, and had served on SSVMS Professional Liability, Finance, Bar Liaison, and Foreign Medicine Service Committees. He had also been a clinical professor at UC Davis.

Max Dimick was born in Bancroft, Idaho, on May 18, 1917, one of seven children who grew up on an Idaho farm. After graduating from Stanford University School of Medicine in 1944, he served during World War II as an Army captain and the chief of surgical services in the Philippines. In 1949, he married Nadine Vann and moved to Sacramento to set up a practice as an obstetrician and gynecologist.

He was an avid golfer, and a member of the Del Paso Country Club for over 40 years. After retiring from medical practice, he became an avid investor in the stock market. In 1998, he and his wife donated funds - then the largest charitable donation to a library in the Sacramento area - to remodel and enlarge the library on Watt Avenue. His wife, Nadine, died in 2003. Dr. Dimick is survived by a son, two sisters, three granddaughters, and four great grandchildren.



### **Paul Lipscomb, MD, 1914-2004**

Dr. Paul Lipscomb, the founding chair of Orthopedic Surgery at the UC Davis Medical School, died at home on September 3 after a long illness and complications of Alzheimer's Disease. He was a professor at the UC Davis Medical School from 1969-81. "He recruited an outstanding faculty and set the foundation for a nationally recognized orthopedics department," said Dr. Joe Tupin, who arrived the same year and later served as the medical director of the UC Sacramento Medical Center. "One of his strengths was his skill as a teacher. He was widely admired by students and staff for his patience and careful explanations. He was a real pioneer in the field of hand surgery, and the only person on the faculty doing hand surgery for some time."

Dr. Lipscomb had been a member of the Yolo County Medical Society since his arrival here, and a member of SSVMS after the society merger in 2000.

Born in Clio, South Carolina, on March 23, 1914, he graduated from the Medical School of South Carolina, in Charleston, in 1938, and went on to a residency in orthopedic surgery at the Mayo Foundation, in Rochester, MN. For most of his career, he practiced in orthopedic surgery with a subspecialty in surgery of the hand - a section he established while at the Mayo Clinic from 1943-69. After retiring from UC Davis in 1981, he joined the Woodland Clinic for four years, and then served as a consultant with the Disability Evaluation Group until 1992. Dr. Lipscomb authored or co-authored 150 medical publications, and was a past president of the American Orthopedic Association and the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery.

His wife, Phyllis, two children and four grandchildren, survive him.

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