



## Dr. Sanford Ladage

December 14, 1944 - January 7, 2018

Dr. Frederick Sanford “Sandy” Ladage, 73, of Henderson, went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Sunday, January 7, 2018, at Hospice Homeplace, Tyler after a two year battle with Leukemia under the care of Dr. K. Naqvi at MD Anderson, Houston and Dr. Ashigbi at Hope Cancer Center, Tyler. He participated in two different Research studies during his two year journey.

Sandy was born on December 14, 1944, and raised in Fort Smith, Arkansas where he spent much of his childhood on the golf course. During his youth, Sandy served overseas as a Navy Physician stationed with the Marines and did work with the Navigators Christian group. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity chapter at the University of Arkansas. Sandy graduated from the University of Arkansas with his M.D. in 1972. He did his Internship and Residency at John Peter Smith in Ft. Worth, Texas. He was a man who put God first, family second, followed by his job and the church. He was married for 40 years to Antoinette Cappleman “Toinette” Ladage. His children include Rebekah and Tyler Lewis of Austin, and David and Mary Ladage of Denton. He has 1 sister, Sallie Ladage of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, brother-in- Law Larry and Debbie Cappleman of Winter Garden, Florida. His grandchildren include Sophia Lewis, Jacob Lewis, Elijah Ladage, Asher Ladage, and Ezekiel Ladage. Sandy also leaves to cherish his memory, special longtime childhood friend Charles Hartsfield of Ft. Smith, Arkansas.

Those preceding him in death were daughter Jennifer, parents Frederick and Felicitas Ladage of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, in-laws Gene and Toni Cappleman of Winter Garden, Florida, and brother-in-law Bill Cappleman of Winter Garden.

His heart was in loving God and loving people. As a Family Practice Physician in Henderson, he cared for his patients as family and friends. Dr. Jeffrey Cahill was his partner of 35 years, and he retired as a Physician in 2014. He was a former Member of the Rusk County Medical Society and the American Academy of Family Practice. He served on many Medical Mission Trips (5 to the Amazon of Brazil with Amazon Outreach, 1 to China, and 5 to Mexico with First Baptist, Henderson). He had submitted his application to work on the Africa Mercy Ship, but his health prevented it.

Sandy was a Deacon, Sunday school teacher, and Greeter at First Baptist Church, Henderson. He was also a part of the rotation of teaching Sunday school at the Rusk County Jail. He was a member of the Strong/Hurt Breakfast Club and a former Board Member of H.I.M. and the Boys & Girls Club of Rusk County.

Funeral services for Dr. Ladage will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2018, at First Baptist Church with Dr. David Higgs and Rev. Don Edmiston officiating. Interment will follow at Lakewood Memorial Park under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 10, at the funeral home.

Pallbearers include Tommy Jimerson, John Foster, David Spivey, Dennis Rivers, Jack Powers, and John Kelley. Honorary Pallbearers are the Deacons of First Baptist Church, Henderson

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Amazon Outreach at

PO Box 794763, Dallas, TX 75379 or online at [amazonoutreach.org](http://amazonoutreach.org), the First Baptist Church International Missions Offering at 207 W. Main St., Henderson, TX 75652, and/or Hospice of East Texas at 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lakewood Memorial Park

Hwy 64 and 323  
Henderson, TX 75652

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home  
1414 South Main Street  
Henderson, TX 75654

## Service

JAN 11. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
207 W. Main St.  
Henderson, TX 75652

# Tribute Wall



“ Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - January 10, 2018 at 12:28 PM

KH

*How I admired Dr. Ladage and so blessed to have him as our Doctor when we lived in Henderson. What a life well lived. He was so caring and giving and I know he will be so missed.*

Kenda Hejl - January 10, 2018 at 05:43 PM

DT

*Dr. Lasagne was my family doctor until he could not be one anymore. He was a kind, caring man for all. Many times he went above and beyond to help us all. He is now healthy and reserving his reward. God Bless 🙏*

Debra Thedford - January 10, 2018 at 06:26 PM

NP

*He will be truly miss he had care for me and then when I had my kids he care for them*

Nicki phillips - January 10, 2018 at 11:06 PM

TF

*R.I.P. Dr. Stanford Ladage you will truly missed. From me , my husband, my children of many years growing up and.having you as a doctor , you had touched our lives and our hearts. You always made sure we were taken care of. Even if you took it out of your own pocket to help. You blessed our lives and made us richer for knowing you. You were an amazing man and Christian . May GOD bless you and.hold you close to his heart in heaven as we did here on earth. Youve touch so many souls in life and so you shall in heaven as an Angel . May your journey be swift and stand true so that you stand by our lord and masters side. We will forever miss you. God speed and blessed be, With prayers for his family in this time of need. Amen.*

**Tanya & Wesley Gibbs Jr. Family** - January 11, 2018 at 07:39 AM

TH

*Such a kind and gentle man !! I loved working with him, he always had something to say that made me smile. My thoughts and prayers are with the family...*

**Toni Harkless** - January 11, 2018 at 09:39 AM

GM

*Working with Dr.Ladage for over twenty years was a blessing given to me and my family.His life was an example of Christ's love and a wonderful person to work for.He will be greatly missed by everyone.*

**Gail McGaugh** - January 11, 2018 at 11:39 AM

MH

*Dr. Ladage was a friend, fellow church member, and family doctor. We had great respect for him in all three of these areas over the years. We know his family will find peace and comfort from God for the family is truly grounded in the faith. He will be missed from this life where he made life better for many.*

*Mark and Elaine Hale*

**Mark R Hale** - January 11, 2018 at 02:17 PM

TT

*What an incredible man and physician! Honored to call him my colleague*

**Thaddeus Tolleason** - January 11, 2018 at 10:43 PM

CH

“ Sandy Ladage was my Big Brother in the early 70’s when he was in med school in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was as busy as a young man could be but he took the time to take me fishing, to a football or basketball or baseball game, to a movie, to the State Fair - the list goes on and on. For a fatherless and impoverished young boy, Sandy was a light shining in the darkness. I’ve always tried to emulate him, his humor and his kindness. And, yes, I’m an absolute fanatic about the Arkansas Razorbacks because of him! God bless and keep you, Sandy! I owe you a debt I can never repay.  
Charles “Chip” Huddleston

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**charles huddleston** - July 10, 2022 at 09:33 PM

DL

“ Served with him in the Navy,,,we studied the Bible together, Dr Ladage was my mentor and led me into a deeper relationship with Christ . I had the privilege to know him well at Camp Pendleton,,,I know he is with the Lord, but I am saddened that ,.... not a day in my life I do not remeber Dr Ladage. In some way .

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**Dino Lomedico** - April 08, 2018 at 01:17 AM

LW

“ Lisa Watts lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



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**Lisa Watts** - January 13, 2018 at 07:32 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Dr. Sanford Ladage.*



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January 12, 2018 at 03:42 PM



“ *Sandy was a dear high school friend. He was full of laughter and funny antics and just always a good guy. I have "Happy Days" kind of memories of when he and a high school girl friend, and his best friend and I, who were dating, double-dated in his old convertible with a hole in the cloth top. The friends he made over the years all had beautiful memories and he has been a model of kindness, grace, humility, perseverance , courage, and a positive outlook for the rest of us. I am grateful for having had the pleasure of his friendship. Janee Parris Crotts*

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**Janee Parris Crotts** - January 12, 2018 at 11:04 AM

JM

“ Dr. Ladage became my doctor when my pediatrician told me he didn't treat people once they reached 18. He remained my primary doctor, even when I had moved to Houston for college. I once chased down a prescription in Las Vegas for pink eye, which he was kind enough to call in. I trusted him; only toward the end of him practicing did he have a nurse draw blood for labs. What a surprise it was to see how the medical field practices outside of his office! -- how lucky I was to have a doctor who would do everything himself. I graduated high school with David. My life was made better because of Dr. Ladage; and, for so many years, I felt safer knowing that he was looking out for me. My sincerest condolences to all of his family.

Jared Maloney - January 11, 2018 at 11:12 PM

LS

“ I knew Dr. Ladage from working at the Hospital where he practiced many years!!! He was a very caring physician and Christian man. He will be missed greatly. Praying for the family. William and Lanette Sheppard



Lanette Sheppard - January 11, 2018 at 11:01 AM

CB

“ Chad Boatwright lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



Chad Boatwright - January 11, 2018 at 10:15 AM

SW

“ *Doc was always there when the Webb family needed him. In later years he gave me so much support and care with my dad. He will be missed.*

SW

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**steve webb** - January 11, 2018 at 04:47 AM

PS

“ *Penny Burke Smith lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Penny Burke Smith** - January 10, 2018 at 08:20 PM

CK

“ *Chrystal Rogers Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Chrystal Rogers Kirkpatrick** - January 10, 2018 at 07:48 PM

DT

“ *Debra Thedford lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Debra Thedford** - January 10, 2018 at 06:20 PM

PO

“ I went to work for Dr. Ladage in 1977. What impressed me was his gentleness and kindness, not just with his patients, but for his employees as well, I only stayed 3 years to pursue other avenues, but he always was kind and interested in what I was doing. He had a big heart and it showed in his life and with the people and family around him. He will be missed by all, especially by his family. My heart goes out to them all.

*Peggy O'Neill*

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**peggy o'neill** - January 10, 2018 at 03:32 PM

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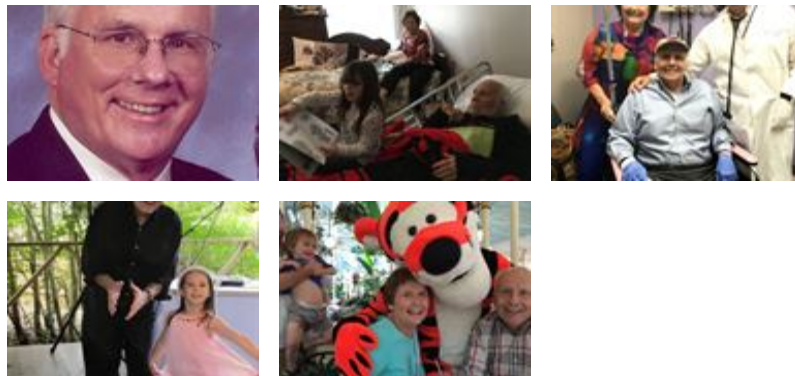
“ Father, in the precious name of Yeshua, Jesus, you grant this family your peace, your comfort and fill their lives with your presence, amen.

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**amy seelbach** - January 10, 2018 at 01:43 PM



“ 87 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home** - January 10, 2018 at 11:21 AM

BP

*I was blessed to have the privilege to work with Dr. Ladage. He was always so concerned about his patients. We were blessed and proud to have known him. Praying for his family.*

**Betty and Randy Penney** - January 10, 2018 at 12:35 PM

PW

*“How very blessed I was to have him as my doctor. His kindness and caring during a very difficult time in my young adult life will always be appreciated and loved. Even as I married and followed my husband around the world with his military career, I could always depend on Dr. Ladage to take care of me and my family when we were in town for a visit. He will be dearly missed.  
Paula Griffith Wigand*

**P. Wigand** - January 09, 2018 at 10:36 PM



*“Debra Dorsey lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Debra Dorsey** - January 09, 2018 at 08:31 PM

KM

*“Our thoughts and prayers for family. He was a wonderful man and I enjoyed working with him in the 80's at Henderson Memorial.*



**katherine maddox** - January 09, 2018 at 07:16 PM

CC

“ *Our family feels Dr. Ladage was our doctor and friend. He was so giving and leaves a model of Christian love.*  
*The Ben Carter Family*

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**connie carter** - January 09, 2018 at 06:56 PM

LP

“ *Linda P. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Sanford Ladage.*



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**Linda P.** - January 09, 2018 at 06:07 PM

TP

“ *Our sincere condolences to the family. Dr. Ladage was our doctor for over 20 years, and he was so kind and considerate. He always was willing to take the time and pray with you if you needed uplifting, and went out of his way to make you feel better. He will be so missed! He was truly one of God's servants, going wherever he was needed and serving with such love and devotion.*

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**Tom & Linda Pharr** - January 09, 2018 at 05:24 PM

CC

“ *Chris Caraway lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Chris Caraway** - January 09, 2018 at 05:10 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Dr. Sanford Ladage.



January 09, 2018 at 04:42 PM



“ Terry & Jan Dorsey lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



Terry & Jan Dorsey - January 09, 2018 at 02:23 PM



“ Our family, the city of Henderson, and the world have been blessed by Doctor Sandy's life. He left the world a better place through his dedication to serving the Lord whenever and wherever he was led. We will miss him so much.

Donna Abercrombie - January 09, 2018 at 02:04 PM



“ Dr. Ladage was our entire family's doctor for over 35 years. He was so kind, so caring, and such a fine Christian man, a true example of what a family doctor should be. We're praying for strength and comfort for his family and everyone who grieves for him.

Charles & Carolyn Wimberley - January 09, 2018 at 01:31 PM

BH

“ *Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Bob & Sue Henderson** - January 09, 2018 at 01:14 PM

DM

“ *So sorry to hear about Dr. Ladage. He will be truly missed by his friends and patients.*



**Darlene Miller** - January 09, 2018 at 12:37 PM

CR

“ *Claude Robinson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Claude Robinson** - January 09, 2018 at 11:17 AM

PA

“ *Patricia Allred lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Patricia Allred** - January 09, 2018 at 10:22 AM

JS

“ *Judy Stokes lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Judy Stokes** - January 09, 2018 at 10:07 AM

KA

“ *Kamila lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Kamila** - January 09, 2018 at 09:53 AM

KC

“ *Kay Creer lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Kay Creer** - January 09, 2018 at 09:40 AM

 Rachel Dessecker

“ *Rachel Dessecker lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



**Rachel Dessecker** - January 08, 2018 at 11:34 PM

BG

“ *Praying for peace and comfort....a true gentleman and great Doctor*  
*Bonnie Geddie*



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**Bonnie Geddie** - January 08, 2018 at 10:56 PM

TP

“ *Tom & Linda Pharr lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Tom & Linda Pharr** - January 08, 2018 at 10:19 PM

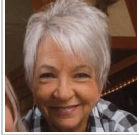
MM

“ *Sympathy and prayers to Toinette and family.*  
*Milton and Sharla McGee*



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**Milton and Sharla McGee** - January 08, 2018 at 09:32 PM



“ I remember when the Ladage family moved to Henderson in the late '70s. FBC grieved with them when they lost their sweet little baby, Jennifer, shortly after their move. Dr. Sandy Ladage was everybody's friend. I was one of his first patients and that was when our friendship developed. His wife, Toinette, was also everybody's friend and continues to be. During Sandy's illness, it was difficult to minister to her because she always found a way to turn it around and minister to you. Toinette, Rebecca, and David: Thank you for sharing your husband & your Dad with the city of Henderson and all the world. You will be covered with so many prayers as you get through your loss. You are all loved more than you could ever imagine! May God be nearer to you than the breath that you breathe!



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**Anita Rumbo-Hays** - January 08, 2018 at 09:30 PM

AM

“ Amy Miley-Payne lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



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**Amy Miley-Payne** - January 08, 2018 at 09:30 PM

GA

“ Gale Austin lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



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**Gale Austin** - January 08, 2018 at 08:39 PM

RV

“ Prayers for a sweet family. A man dedicated to others.



Roberta Vallantyne - January 08, 2018 at 08:27 PM

PB

“ Pat Blevins lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



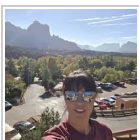
Pat Blevins - January 08, 2018 at 07:46 PM

 Rachel Carter

“ Heaven's received a faithful and humble servant. Such a great man will be missed and our memories of him cherished forever.



Rachel Carter - January 08, 2018 at 07:38 PM



“ Becky Krajewski lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage



Becky Krajewski - January 08, 2018 at 05:42 PM

NG

“ *Precious friend and family. Always a servant with a giving heart. Our deepest sympathy and love. Mark and Nancy Gibson* ”

Nancy Gibson - January 08, 2018 at 04:46 PM

LS

“ *Linda Sipes lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage* ”



Linda Sipes - January 08, 2018 at 04:38 PM



“ *William Blanton lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage* ”



William Blanton - January 08, 2018 at 04:25 PM

DS

“ *So sorry for your loss. He was a joy to work for and to be around. " Go rest high". Diane Simmons* ”

Diane Simmons - January 08, 2018 at 03:54 PM

AV

“ *Andy Vinson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Andy Vinson** - January 08, 2018 at 03:51 PM

LD

“ *Sandy was a gift in my life that I will always cherish. Love Leann*



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**Leann Delaney** - January 08, 2018 at 03:34 PM

LJ

“ *Linda Jaeger lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Linda jaeger** - January 08, 2018 at 02:50 PM

PK

“ *Peggy Keeling lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



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**Peggy Keeling** - January 08, 2018 at 12:42 PM

DC

“ *Debbie Cook lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



Debbie Cook - January 08, 2018 at 12:27 PM

CR

“ *We have always been so grateful for Dr. Ladage. Not only was he our doctor but he was our friend. We will miss him so much!*  
*Charles & Cindy Rush*

Cindy Rush - January 08, 2018 at 12:09 PM

JC

“ *Jean Cole lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



Jean Cole - January 08, 2018 at 12:02 PM

JC

*I loved Dr. Ladage. When I Moved to Henderson 20 years ago I went to his office for the first time. In the paper work to fill out there was a page that said if you died today would you go to heaven. I knew then this was the Dr. for me. He inspired me with his Mission Trips. Because of him I Got the courage to go on my first Mission Trip with my church. He told me it would change my life. He was so right. I will never forget him for his blessings . God Bless his family.*

Jean Cole - January 08, 2018 at 12:10 PM

RP

*Sandy was a great doctor, man and friend. I'll miss him.*

Rusty Phenix - January 10, 2018 at 09:31 AM

JL

“ *Jan Lee lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



jan Lee - January 08, 2018 at 11:55 AM

BJ

“ *Betty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



Betty Johnson - January 08, 2018 at 11:26 AM

BJ

“ *Berry Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



Berry Johnson - January 08, 2018 at 11:25 AM

JL

“ *Judy Lewis lit a candle in memory of Dr. Sanford Ladage*



Judy Lewis - January 08, 2018 at 10:31 AM