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## **\$1 million bequest from Phillips family honors doctors, supports clinical care and research programs at UT Southwestern**

DALLAS – May 27, 2010 – Mary Kathleen Redden Phillips and her daughter, Kathleen Anne Phillips, have jointly bequeathed their estates, valued at more than \$1 million, to create an endowed distinguished chair and three visiting professorships at UT Southwestern Medical Center.

The bequests, which were given to Southwestern Medical Foundation, honor Dr. Sam H. Phillips Jr., Mary Kathleen's husband and Kathleen Anne's father, and five other well-respected Dallas physicians.

Dr. Phillips, who died in 1997 at age 71, was instrumental in developing UT Southwestern's fledgling surgery department in its early years. Mrs. Phillips and her daughter died within one day of each other in 2005.

Their gift will create the Sam H. Phillips Jr., M.D., Distinguished Chair in Surgery; the Sam H. Phillips Jr., M.D., Visiting Professorship in Diabetes, in honor of Dr. Jack Edwards and Dr. Billy B. Oliver; the Sam H. Phillips Jr., M.D., Visiting Professorship in Endocrinology, in honor of Dr. Sam Marynick; and the Sam H. Phillips Jr., M.D., Visiting Professorship in Surgery, in honor of Dr. David Vanderpool and Dr. Jim Carrico.

"Dr. Sam Phillips was a leading member of the UT Southwestern community, and we're honored that his family has generously paid tribute to his dedicated service in this way," said Dr. Daniel K. Podolsky, president of the medical center. "We are privileged to be the beneficiary of their support, and are proud to establish these endowments in the names of such esteemed physicians who have had significant ties to UT Southwestern."

Dr. Kern Wildenthal, president of Southwestern Medical Foundation, said, "The Phillips family had great loyalty to UT Southwestern, and enormous respect for the physicians whom they've honored through these heartfelt bequests. Dr. Phillips was a tremendous asset to the medical center during his long career, and the generosity of his wife and daughter will continue to benefit future generations of faculty members and their patients."

Dr. Phillips, a Dallas native, completed his undergraduate work at Southern Methodist University, and earned his medical degree from UT Southwestern in 1949. After serving in the U.S. Public Health Service during the Korean Conflict, he opened a general practice in Dallas and later

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became the first chief of surgery at what is now Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas.

Dr. Phillips taught at UT Southwestern for several decades and served as chief of surgery at the Dallas VA Medical Center, in addition to his private practice. He retired in the early 1990s.

“Sam and I were great friends for most of our lives, and I have a lot of affection for his family,” said Dr. Jack Edwards, who attended Woodrow Wilson High School, and later UT Southwestern, with Dr. Phillips. “I’m honored that the Phillips family has established this visiting professorship in my name. It makes me very proud.”

Dr. Edwards, an internist who oversaw the medical care of the Phillips family for many years, maintained a private practice in Dallas from 1954 until he retired in 1993. A graduate of Harvard University, he served on the clinical faculty of UT Southwestern and on the staff of Baylor University Medical Center for much of his career.

Dr. Sam Marynick is an attending physician at Baylor University Medical Center, the program director of the Texas Center for Reproductive Health, and a clinical associate professor at UT Southwestern, from which he graduated in 1972.

Dr. David Vanderpool, a prominent Dallas surgeon, has served on the staff of Baylor University Medical Center since 1963. He also is a member of UT Southwestern’s clinical faculty, and has served on the staff of Mary Shiels Hospital in Dallas since 1991. He has served as president of the Dallas County Medical Society, the Texas Medical Association, and the American Society of General Surgeons.

Dr. James Carrico, who died in 2002, was chairman of surgery at UT Southwestern, his alma mater, from 1990 until his retirement in 2000. In 2003 the C. James Carrico, M.D., Distinguished Chair in Surgery for Trauma & Critical Care was established at the medical center, only the second endowment in the U.S. in support of those medical specialties. The top graduate of the UT Southwestern Class of 1961, Dr. Carrico – then a 28-year-old surgical resident at Parkland Memorial Hospital – was the first of four UT Southwestern physicians to treat President John F. Kennedy when he was mortally wounded in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

Dr. Billy Oliver, who died in 2006, was an internist at Baylor University Medical Center and a clinical professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern, also his alma mater.

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