



## Hugh M. Moss M.D.

December 23, 2022

MOSS-Hugh MacMillan, M.D., Retired Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology, Columbia University, died on December 23, 2022. He was 94. The cause of death was cancer. Originally from St. Paul, Minnesota, where he attended St. Thomas Military Academy, he served in the Army of Occupation in Japan from 1946 to 1948 as a paratrooper, Battalion Operations NCO (sergeant) in the 511th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 11th Airborne Division. He received an AB degree from Harvard in 1952 and an MD from the School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania in 1956, followed by a two-year internship at Hartford Hospital where he met his wife of 65 years, Elaine Bordeau. He did a residency in ophthalmology at the Edward S. Harkness Eye Institute of the Columbia University Medical Center and was recipient of a Visiting Heed Fellowship at the University of Oregon and the University of Iowa. In 1961 he was appointed to the faculty of Columbia University teaching pediatric ophthalmology, ocular motility, and ptosis. In 2004-2005, he was the recipient of the Knapp Teaching award for excellence in resident teaching. He had a private ophthalmology practice in Hackensack, N.J. for 50 years. He was Attending Physician at New York Presbyterian Hospital and Past President of the Bergen County Ophthalmological Society. He lived with his family in Demarest, N.J. where he was active in scouting, serving as committee chairman, Webelos leader, and Neighborhood Commissioner. A road runner for 32 years, he ran his first NYC Marathon at 3:34 at the age of 50. He enjoyed opera, dancing, reading and annual family reunions at Monterey

Beach, New Jersey. Predeceased by his 4 siblings, he is survived by his wife Elaine and his 6 children and their families, James B. Moss of Hopewell Junction NY, William J. Moss, MD of Baltimore, MD, Shaun M. Moss, PhD of Kaneohe HI, Eric G. Moss, PhD of Philadelphia, PA, Heather Moss Gibbons, DVM of San Diego, CA, and Heidi Moss, soprano and teacher, of San Francisco, CA. Dr. Moss had 15 beloved grandchildren and two great grandchildren. A visitation will be held at Barrett Leber Funeral Home, 148 Dean Dr., Tenafly, NJ on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 from 1-3 PM, with a funeral service to begin at 3 PM. As he requested, his body will be cremated. Those wishing can remember him by donating in his honor to the Englewood Hospital and Medical Center Foundation through their website.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 28. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Barrett Leber Funeral Home  
148 Dean Dr  
Tenafly, NJ 07670  
(201) 568-8043  
<https://www.barrettleberfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

DEC 28. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dr Moss treated me as a very small child. I enjoyed going there. I remember Miss Webb, his nurse. He performed strabismus surgery on me in 1967 or 1968. I remember being wheeled into the OR and not knowing which was Dr Moss. I had no real fear because I trusted him

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**John Grosso** - March 15, 2025 at 11:12 PM

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“ Offering my sympathies to Mrs. Miss and all the family on the death of Dr Moss..  
So blessed to have known him. What a wonderful physician and family friend.  
So many great memories come to mind of Dr. Moss and the entire family..  
Dr Moss fitted me for my first pair of contact lenses back in the day (around 1966-67)  
I was a new nurse at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital and one of my first paychecks was to get contacts 🥰  
Of course our families were great friends starting when the Moss family moved to Vivian Lane.  
Please know I will keep all of you in my prayers. Take care Mrs Moss ❤️

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**Anita Fontana Caruso** - December 27, 2022 at 11:18 PM