

2024 Hall of Fame INDUCTEE



Class of 1969

Dr. Frank Thomas Slovic

Frank Slovic graduated when South Fayette still had a junior/senior high school. He was a three-year varsity letterman in football and wrestling, and received two letters in golf and one in track.

He was the starting quarterback his junior and senior years, and led the team to the WPIAL Class B championship game his junior year. In addition to athletics, he was a member of the Key Club, the National Honor Society, and was President of his junior class. He graduated fourth of 125 and received a scholarship to attend the University of Pennsylvania.

He excelled in college and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and the pre-medical Honor Society, Alpha Epsilon Delta. He graduated in 1973, Summa cum Laude, and was admitted to the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. As a junior in medical school, Frank was elected to the National Medical Student Honor Society, and at graduation, he was awarded The Dr. Spencer Morris Prize, an award given to the top graduating student entering the field of Internal Medicine. He was rewarded with a position in the Internal Medicine Residency Program.

During his residency at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, New York, he developed an interest in caring for patients with leukemia and other blood diseases and pursued that course of study with a fellowship in the Hematology program at the University of Rochester.

Upon completing his fellowship, Frank moved to Kansas City, Missouri, where he was an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University of Missouri-Kansas City from 1984-1987, and became board certified in the subspecialties of Hematology and Medical Oncology. He left academia in 1987 and joined a private practice of Hematology and Oncology in Kansas City where he spent most of the next 25 years. He took a brief sabbatical from 1998-2000 and returned to the University of Rochester where he was an Assistant Professor of Medicine and a member of the Cancer Center faculty. He spent those two years caring for patients with leukemia and other blood cancers as well as precepting hematology fellows. He was also able to acquire the skills needed to become a bone marrow transplantation physician. He re-joined his previous practice in Kansas City in 2000, and, over the years, has provided care to thousands of patients with all types of cancer and blood diseases. For the last seven years, he concentrated his efforts in caring for patients with leukemia, lymphomas, and multiple myeloma. He has served as the Medical Director of the Blood Cancer Program at Research Medical Center in Kansas City and was the co-founder of the Stem Cell Transplantation program at that facility. He served two terms on the Board of Directors of Kansas City Hospice and three terms on the Executive Board of the Lower Plains Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of America.

Frank retired from medical practice at the end of June. He enjoys having more time to travel with his wife of 48 years, Dr. Susan Mou, to visit their three children and grandchildren, and to read something other than medical journals. He is an active member of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Overland Park, Kansas, where he has served two terms as a deacon. He is a voluntary blood donor, often directing the donation to one of his patients. Frank wants to express his gratitude to the teachers and staff at South Fayette without whom he would not have had the foundation needed to achieve success after high school. In particular, he would like to honor his coaches, Joe Basile, Robert Motte, and George Bordo. They taught him the importance of hard work, always putting the team first, and never taking your eye off the prize.

