The Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery
Stanford University School of Medicine

Welcomes you to the

Inaugural
James B.D. Mark Family Visiting Lecture

David R. Jones, M.D.

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Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

It is a distinct privilege to welcome you to the Inaugural James B.D. Mark Family Visiting Lecture. We are fortunate to have this unique opportunity to celebrate Dr. Mark's 50 years of service to Stanford University and his pioneering work in thoracic surgery. For this event, we are honored to be joined by the preeminent thoracic surgeon, Dr. David R. Jones. We look forward to this special day of education and academic interchange, and welcome your active participation and interaction.

Sincerely,

Joseph Woo, M.D.

Dr. Jones graduated Phi Beta Kappa from West Virginia University and received his medical degree from West Virginia University School of Medicine. He completed his thoracic surgery residency at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC. In 1999, Dr. Jones joined the faculty at the University of Virginia where he became professor and vice-chairman of the department. In 2013, Dr. Jones was recruited to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center as Chief of Thoracic Surgery.

Dr. Jones is Professor and Chief of Thoracic Surgery at MSKCC and Vice-Chair of Quality in the Department of Surgery. He is also the Co-Director of Fiona and Stanley Druckenmiller Center for Lung Cancer Research. Dr. Jones is Associate Editor for the Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery. He is the current chair of the NIH/NCI Tumor Progression and Metastasis (TPM) study section.

Dr. Jones' research focuses on mechanisms and drivers of metastases in lung cancer. His research has been funded by the NIH/NCI, Department of Defense, and the AACR. He has been the principal investigator or co-principal investigator on over 28 funded grants. He has published over 220 papers and has written over 35 book chapters. Dr. Jones serves in multiple leadership roles in several national and international professional societies.
Dr. Mark was born and raised in Nashville, Tennessee and attended Vanderbilt University (BA 1950, Phi Beta Kappa) and Vanderbilt University School of Medicine (MD 1953, Alpha Omega Alpha Alumnus 1974). He spent the next twelve years in New Haven; the first seven for his residency in Surgery and Cardiothoracic Surgery at Yale-New Haven Hospital, which included two years of active duty in the United States Public Health Service, and the following five years on the faculty of Yale University School of Medicine. In 1965, Dr. Mark was recruited to Stanford University, where he was appointed Associate Professor of Surgery. He was promoted to professor in 1970 and was awarded the Johnson & Johnson Endowed Professorship in 1978.

Dr. Mark's first position at Stanford was as chairman of the Department of Surgery at the newly-affiliated Santa Clara County Hospital (now the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center). In 1970, he moved to Stanford University Hospital, where he concentrated his clinical and research efforts in the field of thoracic surgery. In 1972, the Division of Thoracic Surgery in Department of Surgery was approved by the university and Dr. Mark became its founding head, a position he held until he assumed emeritus status in 1996.

At the time of reorganization of the Department of Surgery in 1990, the Division of Thoracic Surgery joined the Department of Cardiovascular Surgery to become the Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery.

Over the years, Dr. Mark has held positions as Associate Dean for Student Affairs (1970-1972), Associate Dean for Regional Medical Affairs (1973-1974), Acting Chair of the Department of Surgery (1974-1977) and Chief of Staff of Stanford University Hospital (1988-1992). He was a Senior Fulbright-Hays Fellow and Visiting Professor of Surgery at the University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania during the 1972-1973 academic year. He is a member of a number of professional organizations and has been president of seven of them, including the Halsted Society (1984), the Western Thoracic Surgical Association (1992-1993) and the American College of Chest Physicians (1994-1995). He has been recognized for his contributions to medical education by the Santa Clara County Medical Association (1984) and the Stanford University School of Medicine (1987). He received the Gold Medal of the City of Milan, Italy in 1990, the Distinguished Alumnus Award of Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in 1996, and the Albion Walter Hewlett Award from the Department of Medicine in 2005. Dr. Mark is the author of almost 150 scientific publications and was on the editorial board of the Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery (1987-1994), the World Journal of Surgery (1995-2003) and The Pharos (2002-2010).

Dr. Mark and his wife have been married for over 60 years and have lived on the Stanford campus for over 50 years. They have five children and seven grandchildren.