



## Former NBCE Executive Director Passes Away

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Gordon L. Holman, D.C., passed away on October 16, 2009, in Sun City, Arizona.

It is especially important to friends of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) that we pause to honor Dr. Holman, whose genuine passion for the profession led him to become one of the great servant leaders of his generation. Dr. Holman helped to form the NBCE in 1963 and served as its first executive director from 1963-1981. His passion for the advancement of chiropractic practice helped to lay the foundation for standardized testing and added to the growth and acceptance of chiropractic as a health care alternative.

Dr. Holman graduated from National College of Chiropractic in 1942. After his service to the Navy during World War II, he moved to Cheyenne, Wyoming, with his wife Elaine, where he started the Cheyenne chiropractic Clinic. In 1960 Dr. Holman was named Chiropractor of the Year by the Wyoming Chiropractic Association, and in 1973 Dr. Holman was elected president of that same organization.

Dr. Holman's loyalty to National College never wavered; he joined with Dr. Joseph Janse and others in the late 1950's to become a member of the Building Fund Executive Committee that worked to establish a nationwide fund raising campaign for the college. Dr. Holman also lent his expertise to the Council on Chiropractic Education that was located at National College at the time.

Like many, Dr. Holman left a rich legacy of dedication to his family, his community and his profession. Sarah Bernhardt once wrote that "Life begets life. Energy becomes energy. It is by spending oneself that one becomes rich." We thank you for helping us to remember Dr. Gordon Holman.

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