

## 2020 Master Recipient Delbert L. Chumley, MD, MACG



Delbert L. Chumley, MD, FACP was born and raised in San Antonio and has spent the last four decades in private practice. After graduating from Texas A&M University, he received his medical degree from The University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston where he remained for his post-graduate education serving as Chief Resident in Internal Medicine and completing a Fellowship in Gastroenterology in 1976. Afterwards, he moved back to his hometown and established Gastroenterology Consultants of San Antonio which over the years has grown into a 29-physician group.

Dr. Chumley became a Fellow of the American College of Gastroenterology in 1986 and has since remained committed to and active in the College serving on numerous committees, the Board of Governors and the Board of Trustees. He served as ACG President from 2010-2011 and completed his service on the Board of Trustees as the Trustee for Administrative Affairs last year. He continues to maintain a clinical faculty appointment of Professor of Medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio and is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians.

He has held several hospital and professional appointments and remains very active in organized medicine, legislative affairs and development of medical education programs. In recent years, he has also served as President of the Texas A&M Medical and Dental Society, President of the Texas Society of Gastroenterology and Endoscopy, and President of the Bexar County Medical Society.

Dr. Chumley has received numerous honors and awards including: American College of Gastroenterology Senior Governor Award, 1996, American College of Gastroenterology William D. Carey Award, 2000, Texas Society of Gastroenterology and Endoscopy Marcel Patterson Robert-Nelson Award, 2002, American College of Physicians Texas Chapter Laureate Award, 2007, San Antonio Business Journal Healthcare Heroes Lifetime Achievement Award, 2013, University of Texas Medical Branch Ashbel Smith Distinguished Alumnus award, 2016, Texas Society of Gastroenterology and Endoscopy Patient Advocacy Award, 2019 and Bexar County Medical Society Golden Aesculapius Award, 2020.

He and his wife of 45 years, Louise, have remained active in community affairs supporting numerous nonprofit organizations including serving as co-chairs for the American Cancer Society Cattle Barons Gala. Dr. Chumley most recently served on the Board of Directors for BioMedSA which focuses on the growth of biomedical research in San Antonio. They both enjoy spending time at their second home in Rockport, Texas, attending Texas A&M home football games and supporting the Spurs. However, they admit that they obtain their greatest pleasure enjoying their three adult children and their spouses and their five grandkids.

When asked what he enjoys most from his 40-plus years of practice, Dr. Chumley responds, "caring for my patients whose trust and friendship I truly cherish." He also has been and continues to be amazed at all the advancements in gastroenterology, but emphasizes that attentively listening to a patient and performing a complete and careful physical examination still remain the foundation of quality healthcare.