IN MEMORIAM

DR. ELNORA D. DANIEL

The Hampton University family mourns the death of Dr. Elnora D. Daniel, Professor Emerita of Nursing, who passed on Monday, March 4, 2024. An experienced and perceptive administrator, she diligently worked to improve the quality, proficiency and advancement of higher education and healthcare. She was a visionary leader, talented nurse, extraordinary professor, and an outstanding mentor.

Her career at Hampton University began as a faculty member in 1968, followed by appointments as Dean of the School of Nursing in 1980 and Dean of the Interdisciplinary Nursing Center for Health and Wellness in 1985. In 1986, Dr. Daniel became the second African American appointed to the Virginia State Board of Nursing and its first African American president.

She was promoted to Vice President for Academic Affairs in 1991 and named Executive Vice President and Provost in 1995. She assumed the presidency of Chicago State University in 1998 and retired in 2008. A phenomenal grant writer and fundraiser, she returned to Hampton in 2009 to serve as Special Assistant to the President for Research.

In addition to her academic achievements, Dr. Daniel earned the rank of Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve Nurse Corps. After being commissioned Captain in the Nurse Corps of the U.S. Air Force Reserve in 1972, she transferred to the Army Nurse Corps as a Major in 1979. Dr. Daniel served as Chief Nurse, 18th Field Hospital in Virginia until she was transferred to the 2076th U.S. Army Reserve School in Wilmington, Delaware to develop a satellite training school.

A native of Oxford, North Carolina, Dr. Daniel earned a Bachelor of Science degree from North Carolina A&T State University, and a Masters and doctorate from Columbia University. She served on numerous educational, healthcare and museum boards and philanthropic foundations. Dr. Daniel was the recipient of many well-deserved recognitions and awards including Marquis Who's Who Top Educator, Miller Gallery of Greats, VA Veteran of the Day—December 25, 2020, and History Makers. She was a member of numerous organizations to include Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Link's Inc., and Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.

Dr. Daniel is survived by her son Michael D. Daniel (Kristen). Funeral services will be held at Hampton University Memorial Church on Saturday, March 23, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

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