

# Celebrating 50 Years of “Excellence in Service”



**Memorial  
Hospital  
1960**



*“No finer work can be done by man than to give time, money and talent to any undertaking designed to help others. The new hospital will be a memorial to all of those who have worked so diligently to provide the facilities necessary to reduce pain and suffering. May they receive all the rewards of civic and neighborly gratitude to which they are entitled.”*

*Former Governor Marvin Griffin  
April 3, 1960*

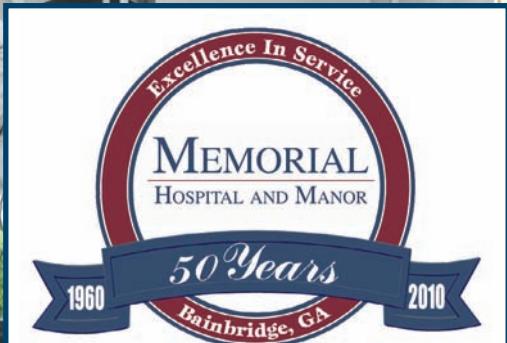
# MEMORIAL

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## HOSPITAL AND MANOR

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## 50 Years of "Excellence in Service"



Since 1960, the physicians and employees at Memorial Hospital have treated over 445,000 patients in our Emergency Department, provided care to over 145,000 inpatients, and birthed over 20,000 babies. This 50th Anniversary Commemorative publication is a tribute to Memorial Hospital and Manor's contributions to the people of Bainbridge, Decatur County, and Southwest Georgia for 50 years.





### A Hospital is Vital to the Community

A Message from Joe Livingston, Chairman, Hospital Authority

Fifty years seems like such a long time. Fifty years ago, Dwight D. Eisenhower was President and Kennedy would be elected in November, 1960.

Slightly over 50 years ago, I was born at Riverside Hospital on the corner of Donalson and Water Streets in Bainbridge. All that remain of that hospital are some photographs and the unchanging view of the beautiful Flint River. My brother was born in August, 1960, and was among the first babies born at the new Memorial Hospital. I remember my mother telling me how nice it was to have air conditioning in the new hospital. I can't imagine childbirth on an August day in Southwest Georgia without air conditioning.

Memorial Hospital has seen 50 years of births, broken bones, kidney stones, gallbladder surgeries, and, sometimes, tears. In 50 years, over 20,000 babies have been born at Memorial Hospital, more than 147,000 inpatients were admitted, and over 450,000 patients were treated in our Emergency Department. The patients keep coming and the doors never close.

A dependable hospital with a qualified medical staff adds to the attractiveness of a community as a place to build a business, raise a family, or retire. What many people may not realize is that Memorial Hospital and Manor is the second largest employer in Decatur County, with the Decatur County School system being the largest. Traditionally, hospitals offer a stable source of employment for all skill levels, even in times of economic stress.

Memorial Hospital and Manor has invested in our local workforce development by offering health career scholarships and tuition reimbursement for employees. The hospital has partnered with Bainbridge College, Southwest Georgia Technical College and other colleges to provide access for students' clinical training. For 15 years, Memorial Hospital and Manor has sponsored an allied health apprenticeship program with Bainbridge High School to give students an opportunity to learn about health career options. Some of those students are now in medical school and will, possibly, return home to practice in Bainbridge.

Memorial Hospital and Manor has remained steadfast and reliable for 50 years. With your support and confidence, we will continue to attend to your urgent medical needs, provide efficient and accurate diagnostic services, and offer appropriate treatment and care to improve your health and well-being for many years to come.

Indeed, 50 years is a long time. As the years go by, Memorial Hospital and Manor remains committed to adapting to the ever-changing healthcare industry and never allowing our doors to close.



The Hospital Authority of the City of Bainbridge and Decatur County are pictured front row left to right: Johnny Grimsley, Secretary, Charles Tyson, Vice-Chairman, Joe Livingston, Chairman, and Glennie Bench, Treasurer. Back row left to right are Charles A. Walker, M.D., Mary Breedlove, Linda Jones, M.D., and Paul Bennett, M.D., Chief of Staff.



### A Hospital Is More Than A Building

A Message from Paul Bennett, M.D., Chief of Staff

Fifty years ago, during completely different times and circumstances, Memorial Hospital began its life. Faces and names, now long gone, graced its halls where medical practices and procedures no one remembers saved and comforted the lives of the sick. The cycle of life, both beginning and end, was a daily part of its existence as its walls encountered both tears of joy and those of the grieving. But it was not the building itself that brought comfort to those in desperate need. The walls could not wipe the brow of the feverish nor did they have ears to hear the pleading of the lonely. There were no arms to hold the newborn or touch the shoulder of one hovering at the bedside of a loved one. The structure had no ability to change bed linens, clean its own rooms, or even offer a cup of water to the thirsty. It could not staff the operating room or stand in the ambulance bay awaiting the arrival of one critically ill. In and of itself, Memorial Hospital and Manor was, and is, only a building.

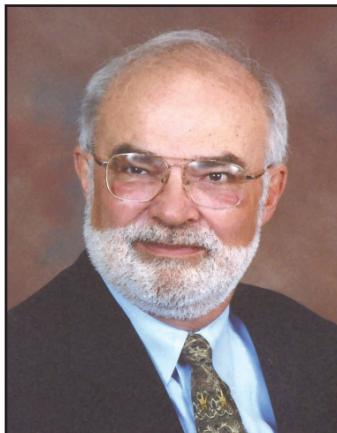
So a hospital is more than brick and mortar, for inside lies its very heart and soul. Day after day, the caregivers arrive who selflessly give that others may live. Within these selfless ones are words of comfort. With their hands they perform the services that often no one else can, and because of them, generations of people now exist who would otherwise never have been. Few outside the hospital know the true cost and risks of their services as they leave family each day to care for the ill. No price can be placed on missed holidays, school functions, or birthday parties. Yet, the employees of Memorial Hospital and Manor give these up without hesitation so that others may enjoy them once more. It is a sacrifice, but it is so much more than that. It is a calling.

The Gospels tell us that not so much as a sparrow falls to the ground without the notice of the Father. As I walk the halls of Memorial Hospital, I am sometimes struck by the fact that perhaps the faces that greet me as they perform their duties are the greatest of these sparrows. They are unnoticed on many occasions, overlooked by others, and sometimes undervalued. But I am here to tell the employees of Memorial Hospital and Manor, from one sparrow to another, that the sacrifices and efforts that they make on a daily basis have not gone unnoticed. Not by me, my peers, this community, and certainly not by God. For all that you do and have done for the past 50 years, you have our eternal gratitude. Thank you.

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### Hospital Employees Make the Difference

A Message from James G. Peak, Chief Executive Officer



This is a special year of remembrance for Memorial Hospital and Manor employees, physicians, volunteers and the community as we look back at where we were 50 years ago, and celebrate the achievements that have made Memorial Hospital and Manor a vital part of the community.

We're proud of Memorial Hospital and Manor's facilities and services, but we are especially proud of the employees, volunteers and physicians who have dedicated their lives to serving others. As the second largest employer in Decatur County, we value the 540 employees, 75 volunteers, and 42 physicians who keep the hospital running. They are the main reason that patients continue to trust the hospital to take care of their healthcare needs. The team of employees and physicians consistently excel in providing high quality care with individualized attention for all patients. It's that personal touch that makes all the difference.

As a not-for-profit hospital, Memorial has a commitment to improving the health of everyone in the service area. Faced with workforce challenges, cost pressures, and inadequate reimbursement, we still remain dedicated to delivering quality healthcare. Services extend beyond the hospital walls as we provide low-cost health screenings for people and industries in Decatur County, and educational opportunities for high school and college students.

On behalf of all of the Memorial Hospital and Manor family, thank you for letting us serve you and your family for 50 years. We're proud of this hospital and we look forward to taking care of you for many years to come.

## **Looking Back**

Memorial Hospital was officially dedicated on Sunday, April 3, 1960, and opened its doors to receive patients the following day. The 80-bed hospital was built under the Hill-Burton Hospital Survey & Construction Act of 1946. The Hill-Burton Act initiated the concept of local, state, and federal cost sharing of healthcare facilities, and provided federal funds for construction and renovation of more than 9,000 medical facilities, particularly in lower income areas. While two-thirds of the money was provided by the Federal government and the State of Georgia, Memorial Hospital has always been operated by the Hospital Authority of the City of Bainbridge and Decatur County. The hospital is located at 1500 E. Shotwell Street, between Wheat and Gordon Avenues in Bainbridge.



**Bainbridge Hospital**

On Monday, April 4, 1960, Memorial Hospital admitted its first patient, Mr. Lee A. Parker, who was transferred from Riverside Hospital. On the same day, Mrs. Bennie (Jane) Ware gave birth to the hospital's first baby, Cathy Ware. The second baby, Jane Brock (Tye), was born on April 5, 1960, to Ernest and Edna Brock of Climax. The third baby was the first boy born in the new hospital, Charles Allen Wells, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wells. He was born on April 6. The first twins were born on May 12, 1960, Michael George and Mark James LaPointe. Their parents were Mr. and Mrs. R. N. LaPointe. Mr. LaPointe was an instructor at Southern Airways School. Since that time, over 20,000 babies have been born at Memorial Hospital.

The first year of operation resulted in 2,201 patients admitted and 338 babies delivered at Memorial Hospital. The average daily census in 1960 was 32.6 patients and the highest census was 53 patients.



**Memorial Hospital and Manor, 1972**



### Dedication

Memorial Hospital officially opened on Sunday, April 3, 1960, with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Open House. Mr. Charles M. Trulock, Chairman of the Hospital Authority, and Gordon Chason, M.D., are pictured as they opened the door to a new era in healthcare for Southwest Georgia.

## Looking Back

Members of the Hospital Authority who dedicated themselves to the planning and building of Memorial Hospital were Chairman C. M. Trulock, J. W. Hunt, Vice Chairman, J.M. Woodbury, Secretary, David Bryan, Treasurer, Raleigh Rollins, Graham Bolton, Kenneth Hodges, W. T. Laslie, Jimmie Wells and T. E. Smith. Frank L. Gibson, M.D., served as Medical Consultant for the new hospital.

The original medical staff of Memorial Hospital and Manor included Dr. R. F. Dickinson, Chief of Staff, Dr. Charles Bellville, Dr. Henry Bridges, Dr. Mortimer Ehrlich, Dr. Frank Gibson, Dr. Edwin Griffin, Dr. L. W. Willis, Sr., Dr. L. W. Willis, Jr., and Dr. Ashby Woods. Other physicians were Dr. J. J. Collins of Thomasville, the Radiologist, and Dr. Margaret W. Johnson, of Moultrie, the Pathologist. In the early days of Memorial Hospital, the emergency room was staffed by local physicians as needed. When emergencies occurred, physicians were called at their offices or homes to attend patients in the emergency room. It wasn't until years later that Memorial Hospital had a 24-hour physician-staffed emergency room.

The hospital employed approximately 60 people when it first opened, including Administrator Vesper Paul Turnage, Mrs. Alburose "Abbie" Dollar, Administrative Secretary, Mrs. Eloise Monk, Medical Records Department, Mrs. Irene Toole, Supervisor of Nurses, Mrs. Vivian Cameron, R.T., Radiology; Harold Marshall, A.M.T., Laboratory, Mrs. Arylene Syer, R.N., Anesthetist, Mrs. Ruth Drawdy, A.D.A. Dietician, Mrs. Jean An-

derson, Housekeeper, Robert D. Taylor, Engineer, and Mrs. Lillie Priest, Accountant.

As Memorial Hospital expanded its facilities and services through the years, the number of employees increased, as well. In 2010, there are approximately 540 employees, 22 active staff physicians, 20 consulting staff physicians, and 75 volunteers. A new Obstetrics and Gynecology specialist, Jason Moye, M.D., will begin practicing at Memorial Hospital and Manor in August. His wife, Mandy Moye, M.D., a pediatrician will arrive in 2011.



**Dr. L. W. Willis, Sr., practiced Family Medicine in Bainbridge for over 50 years until the day before his death in 1972. Through the years, he delivered thousands of Decatur County babies at the Bainbridge Hospital and at Memorial Hospital.**

## Moving Forward



**Memorial Hospital, 1959**

When Memorial Hospital opened in 1960, it was originally a 60,000 square feet, two story, cross-shaped building. It cost \$1,470,000 to build and \$160,000 to equip. Delta Construction Company of Waycross was the building contractor and Gregson and Associates were the architects.

Through the years, Memorial Hospital expanded and renovated its facilities to meet the needs of a growing com-

munity, and it is now twice the size of the original building. An Intensive Care Unit was added in 1986, a new Emergency Department was built in 1993, and the Radiology Department went through major renovations in 1995. Memorial Hospital and Manor completed three new building projects in 1998, which included The Kirbo Women’s Center, Memorial Medical Center, and Willow Ridge Assisted Living Facility.



**Memorial Hospital and Manor, 2005**

## Memorial Manor

A long term care facility, Memorial Manor, was built adjacent to Memorial Hospital in 1972, when the Fidelis Nursing Home closed. The Fidelis Nursing Home Board of Directors, including Mrs. H. H. "Liz" Felty, Mrs. J. M. "Mary Bruce" Woodbury, and Mrs. J. S. "Audrey" Cliett, were instrumental in the construction of the new nursing home when they transferred the Fidelis assets to the Hospital Authority. Memorial Manor opened under the leadership of Herbert Nussbaum, Chairman of the Hospital Authority, Houston Wisener, Administrator, Lo-

reta Coggins Brown, Supervising Nurse for Memorial Manor, and Mrs. Irene Toole, Director of Nurses for both the Hospital and Memorial Manor.

An addition to Memorial Manor was constructed in 1979, adding 40 beds to the existing Manor's 67 bed capacity. Over 80 employees are currently on staff to assist Memorial Manor's 107 residents. Cynthia Vickers, RN, BSN, is Administrator of Memorial Manor, and Sandra Battle, RN, is Director of Nursing.



Memorial Manor

### Willow Ridge

**Willow Ridge**, an assisted living facility which opened in September, 1998, is located at 801 Faceville Highway. Willow Ridge offers a beautiful home-like atmosphere for older adults who do not wish to live alone or for those who may need personal assistance with daily activities. The 15,000 square feet facility has 22 private rooms for residents, as well as spacious living, dining, and recreational areas.



Willow Ridge Assisted Living

A highly trained, courteous and dedicated staff provides twenty-four hour assistance under the direction of Judy Phillips, LPN. Certified Nursing Assistants are available around-the-clock to assist residents as needed with bathing, dressing, grooming and other daily activities including medication supervision and coordination of refills. Three nutritious, home-cooked meals, snacks and beverages are available at all times. Weekly housekeeping, linen and laundry services are just a few of the many services provided. Willow Ridge is owned by the Hospital Authority of the City of Bainbridge and Decatur County.

### Memorial Medical Center

**Memorial Medical Center**, a 26,000 square feet office building, opened in May, 1998, at 603 Wheat Avenue across from the Decatur County Memorial Coliseum. It houses six medical offices, the hospital's outpatient rehabilitation department, and a satellite laboratory.

### Kirbo Women's Center

**The Kirbo Women's Center**, a beautiful, family-centered obstetrical and gynecological unit, opened in December, 1998, at Memorial Hospital and Manor. This addition provides a birthing experience where labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum take place in a single room. The Kirbo Women's Center has 8 LDRP suites, 6 gynecological rooms, a C-Section surgical suite, and 2 nurseries.

The 21,000 square feet women's center is named after the "Thomas M. Kirbo and Irene B. Kirbo Charitable Trust," which generously contributed to the construction and elegant interior design of the wing. As part of the new addition, the main entrance of the hospital was completely renovated for the first time since the hospital opened in 1960. A new front lobby, gift shop, information center, and patient accounts department provide a comfortable ambiance to welcome visitors.



The first baby born in the Kirbo Women's Center at Memorial Hospital and Manor was Tyler Austin Bjorklund. Pictured holding Tyler just after he was born on December 7, 1998, is OB/GYN nurse Marie Parks, LPN.

**The Hospital Authority of the City of Bainbridge and Decatur County**

**Members of the Hospital Authority, 1960**

**Charles M. Trulock, Chairman**

**J. M. “Doc” Woodbury, Secretary**

**Graham Bolton**

**Kenneth Hodges**

**W. T. Laslie**

**J. W. Hunt, Vice Chairman**

**David T. Bryan, Sr., Treasurer**

**Raleigh Rollins**

**T. E. Smith**

**Jimmie Wells**

**Frank L. Gibson, M.D., Medical Consultant**

**City Appointments**

**David Bryan, Sr.**

1955 – 1973

**H. H. Nussbaum**

1968 – 1974

**Glennie Rozier**

1978 – 1999

**Glennie Bench**

1999 – present  
(through 2014)

**J. M. Woodbury**

1955 – 1965

**W.M. Coyle**

1973 – 1975

**Henry Metcalf**

1982 – 1988

**Charles Tyson**

2004 – present  
(through 2013)

**Raleigh Rollins**

1955 – 1965

**Buck Wheeler**

1974 – 1978

**Sydney Cochran, M.D.**

1988 – 1997

**Walter Cox**

1964 - 1968

**Dewey Robinson**

1975 – 1982

**Jimmy Harrell**

1997 – 2003

**County Appointments**

**W. J. McCollum**

1951 – 1955

**Leroy Johnson**

1955 – 1957

**Hubert Parker**

1961 – 1988

**Tom Conger**

1990 – 1995

**W. B. Miller**

1951 – 1955

**E. R. Smith**

1955 – 1957

**H. H. Nussbaum**

1963 – 1968

**Johnny Grimsley**

1995 – present  
(through 2010)

**G. O. Rentz**

1951 – 1955

**J. W. Hunt**

1956 – 1963

**Hugh White**

1965 – 1975

**Joe Livingston (Chairman)**

1995 – present  
(through 2010)

**E. H. Stockton**

1951 – 1955

**Graham Bolton**

1957 – 1988

**W. W. Long**

1972 – 1995

**Linda Jones, M.D.**

1996 – present  
(through 2012)

**C. M. Trulock**

1951 – 1961 (Chairman)

**Jimmy Wells**

1957 - 1961

**John M. Simmons**

1988 – 1998

**Larry Ware**

1998 – 2003

**D. R. Simmons**

1951 – 1956

**John L. Taylor**

1958 – 1959

**Ed Mitchell**

1988 – 1996

**Mary Breedlove**

2005 – present  
(through 2013)

**Lamar Griffin**

1955 – 1957

**T. E. Smith**

1959 - 1972

**Bennie Ware**

1988 – 1998

**Charles Walker, M.D.**

2008 – present  
(through 2013)

**Kenneth Hodges**

1955 – 1969

**John Howell**

1961 – 1965

**Dean Burke, M.D.**

1998 – 2008

# **Memorial Hospital Foundation, Inc.**

The Memorial Hospital Foundation, Inc. was organized in 1989 with 14 members, as well as the Chairman of the Hospital Authority and the Chief of Staff serving as ex-officio members. The Memorial Hospital Foundation, Inc. has donated over \$1.3 million to the hospital for equipment purchases and other capital improvements.

The Foundation hosted an annual black-tie Gala for twenty years and raised over \$900,000 from generous community contributions for equipment purchases at Memorial Hospital and Manor. Equipment purchased through the years included a new Neoprobe 2000 Gamma Probe Detection Device, a 12-bed Medical Telemetry Monitoring System, a Holter Monitoring System, a new video endoscopy system for general and orthopedic surgery, TotalCare ICU beds and ventilators, portable cardiac monitors for the Emergency Department, a Dexascan unit for osteoporosis screening, a pulmonary function system, a gastroscope and a colonoscope for diagnostic testing, a cryostat for on-site frozen section evaluation of biopsies, and a portable X-ray unit.

These equipment purchases have enabled Memorial Hospital and Manor to better serve the community by offering state-of-the-art diagnostic and treatment options for patients. Donations and memorial gifts are tax deductible and may be sent to The Memorial Hospital Foundation, 1500 E. Shotwell Street, Bainbridge, GA 39819.



**12-bed Telemetry Monitoring System**



**Dexascan for Osteoporosis Screening**

## **Memorial Hospital Foundation Members, 2010**

**Liv Willis Warren, Chairman**

**Blaine Palmer, Vice-Chairman**

**Mark Harrell, Treasurer**

**Carole Clenney, Secretary**

**Jim Peak, President**

**Paul Bennett, M.D., Ex-Officio**

**Joe Livingston, Ex-Officio**

**E. J. (Chip) Perry III, Attorney**

**Bill Burke**

**Mardi McRae**

**Vicki Bailey**

**Jenny Livingston**

**Kelly Phillips**

**Anne Brannen**

**Jane Conger**

**Lynn Walker**

**Vic Pemberton**

## Volunteers Are Caring People

Volunteers have been an integral part of Memorial Hospital and Manor since it opened 50 years ago. Memorial Hospital and Manor is fortunate to have several dedicated volunteer groups including the Memorial Hospital and Manor Auxiliary, Volunteer Chaplains, and Manor Volunteers.

The American Red Cross Volunteers, affectionately known as "Gray Ladies," were organized in 1960 and assisted visitors and patients for 46 years until the group merged with the Memorial Hospital and Manor Auxiliary in 2006.

The Memorial Hospital and Manor Auxiliary was organized in 1998 when the hospital gift shop opened. Not only do they staff the hospital gift shop, they are usually the first people that visitors meet when they come to the hospital. They give information and assist patients and visitors to various departments within the hospital and Memorial Medical Center.

The Auxiliary hosts fundraising events for their scholarship program and special projects at the hospital.



Memorial Hospital and Manor Auxiliary Officers in 2010 are pictured left to right: Newana Williams, Vice-President, Fredda Salter, Secretary, Mamie Howard, Treasurer, and Carol Lewis, President.

Volunteers also help brighten the lives of the nursing home residents in the Manor. Individuals, church groups and civic groups give their time and talents to entertain residents with music, games, Bible study, and help with reading and writing letters.

These quiet heroes exemplify Memorial Hospital and Manor's caring spirit in everything they do for patients and residents. They gave over 7000 hours of service to patients and visitors at Memorial Hospital and Manor in 2009. Their service and dedication is greatly appreciated and valued.



"Gray Ladies" staffed the Visitor Information Desk in the front lobby of Memorial Hospital for many years before the group merged with the Memorial Hospital and Manor Auxiliary. Pictured assisting a visitor in the "old" front lobby are Ruby McCray, left, and Mary Stone, center. Mrs. Stone actively volunteered for almost 50 years.

Mrs. Mary Stone is a charter member of the American Red Cross Volunteers and remained actively involved for almost 50 years. James O'Quinn changed the face of the group when he became the hospital's first male "Gray Lady" in 1986. There are now four other men who are regular volunteers with the Auxiliary.

Six local ministers currently serve as Chaplains for the hospital, with the Rev. Donna Bevels serving as Senior Chaplain. These ministers are on call to serve the spiritual, as well as emotional needs, of patients and their families in times of crisis.



Red Cross Volunteers pictured in 1992 include front row left to right: James O'Quinn, Louise Lee, Mildred Joiner, Emily Stone, Corene Stabler, Rose McIver, Catherine Naylor, Lorraine Edwards and Mary Stone. Second row left to right are Hilda Byrd, Vernice Howell, Rita Quill, Landra Parker, Bessie Griffin, Ann Guthrie, Sara Ragan, Jean Attaway, Marian Wise, and Arerissa Washington. Third row left to right are Thelma Edwards, Velma Toellner, Virginia Kitchens, Helen Dean, Jeanette Flowers, Frances Ward, Mildred Pope, Ruby McCray and Mary Rosenbury.

# Fifty Facts About Memorial Hospital and Manor

1. Decatur County and City of Bainbridge residents voted in favor of a bond issue to build a new Hill-Burton hospital, May 1957.
2. Memorial Hospital, a two-story, cross-shaped, 80-bed facility opened on April 4, 1960.
3. Memorial Hospital was given its name in memoriam to those pioneers who made Bainbridge the medical center of the tri-state area for decades.
4. First Administrator: Velmer P. Turnage, a native of Chattahoochee.
5. First baby born April 4, 1960: Cathy Ware (Gaines), daughter of Bennie and Jane Ware.
6. Second baby born April 5, 1960: Martha Jane Brock (Tye), daughter of Ernest and Edna Brock.
7. Third baby (first boy) born April 6, 1960: Charles Allen Wells, son of Mr. & Mrs. F. E. Wells.
8. First twins born May 12, 1960: Michael George and Mark James LaPointe, sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. LaPointe. (Mr. LaPointe was an instructor at Southern Airways School at the time.)
9. First Patient: Lee A. Parker was transferred from Riverside Hospital.
10. Built by Delta Construction Company of Waycross for \$1,470,000.
11. Original equipment cost: \$160,000.
12. Total cost of radiology equipment was \$43,000.
13. Original building was 60,000 square feet.
14. In 2010, Memorial Hospital and Manor has more than 141,000 total square feet.
15. Architects: Gregson and Associates.
16. Interior design included tropical tiled bird scenes with white egrets, colorful parrots and pink flamingos in the front lobby, visitor's "concession stand" and snack room.
17. A marble and tile reflection pool graced the front entrance of the hospital. It was later removed and turned into a rose garden.
18. Memorial Hospital and Manor is situated on 12 acres, which was purchased from Mrs. Earle M. Donalson.
19. 60 employees staffed the hospital in 1960.
20. Over 540 employees staff the hospital, Manor, Willow Ridge and some physician practices in 2010.
21. 12 physicians, including a Pathologist and Radiologist, were on the original medical staff.
22. 22 physicians are on the hospital's active medical staff in 2010.
23. 20 physicians are on the hospital's consulting medical staff in 2010.
24. In the hospital's early years, the Emergency Room was staffed by local physicians who were called to ER from their offices or homes.
25. Strict visiting hours were enforced in 1960 from 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
26. Thirty original "Gray Lady" volunteers issued visitor passes and delivered flowers.
27. Deposit required for admission in 1960: \$50.
28. Original Patient Rooms: 25 private, 17 semi-private, 4 four-bed wards.
29. Private rooms (2) with bathtubs, TV, telephone and solarium: \$25/day (1960).
30. Private rooms with bathtub and toilet: \$16/day (1960).
31. Private rooms with toilets: \$14/day (1960).
32. Semi-private room with toilet & shower: \$13/day (1960).
33. Semi-private room with toilet: \$11/day (1960).
34. Four-bed wards (4) with toilet: \$9/day (1960).
35. Pediatric wards: \$6/day (1960).
36. Manor I opened in 1972 with 67 beds. Assets were transferred from the old Fidelis Nursing Home.
37. Manor II opened in 1979 with an additional 40 beds.
38. Intensive Care Unit opened in 1986, with 10 beds and an echocardiography lab for cardiac diagnostic testing.
39. New Emergency Department opened in 1993.
40. Memorial Medical Center opened in May, 1998.
41. Willow Ridge, a 15,000 square feet, 22-bed assisted living facility, opened on 9 acres at 801 Faceville Highway in September, 1998.
42. Kirbo Women's Center, a 21,000 square feet addition on the front of Memorial Hospital and Manor, opened in December, 1998, with 8 private LDRP suites, 6 GYN patient suites, 2 nurseries and a C-section operating room.
43. Many patient rooms on the Medical/Surgical wing have been renovated from semi-private to private rooms with larger bathrooms.
44. Memorial Hospital and Manor received awards for "Small Hospital of the Year" from the Georgia Alliance of Community Hospitals in 1999, 2004, and 2008.
45. Memorial Hospital and Manor received the "Rural Hospital of the Year" award in 1997 from the Georgia Rural Hospital Association.
46. Memorial Hospital and Manor received a "Community Leadership Award" in 2008 from the Georgia Hospital Association for "Team Lean."
47. Over 20,000 births at Memorial Hospital in 50 years.
48. More than 445,000 patients have been treated in Memorial Hospital's Emergency Department.
49. Memorial Hospital began accepting Medicare payments in 1968 and Medicaid payments in 1980.
50. Memorial Hospital is Accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

## 50 Years of "Excellence in Service"



### Our Services

Assisted Living  
Birthing and Women's Center  
CT Scanning (Spiral)  
Carotid Ultrasound  
Cataract Surgery and Other Eye Surgeries  
Clinical and Pathology Laboratory  
Diagnostic Sleep Center  
Dietary Consultations  
Echocardiography Stress Lab (Certified)  
24-hour Physician Staffed Emergency Room  
Gastrointestinal Endoscopy  
Intensive Care Unit  
Laparoscopic and General Surgery  
Long Term Care  
MRI Scanning  
Mammography  
Nuclear Medicine  
Occupational Therapy  
Orthopedic Surgery  
Osteoporosis Screening (DEXA)  
Physical Therapy  
Respiratory Therapy  
Same Day Surgery Unit  
Stress Testing  
24-hour Holter EKG Monitoring  
Respite Care  
Swing Bed Unit  
Social Services  
Speech Therapy  
Wound Care

## 50 Years of "Excellence in Service"



### Our Mission

The staff of Memorial Hospital and Manor strives to provide the patient with a friendly, caring environment and quality medical care. Memorial Hospital and Manor is dedicated to continuing the tradition of "Excellence In Service" in health care.

### Our Vision

To fulfill our mission, Memorial Hospital and Manor is committed to improve the quality of life in Bainbridge and Decatur County; provide needed care to all patients, regardless of their individual condition, beliefs or financial circumstances; embrace the philosophy of performance improvement in all services provided by our dedicated physicians, employees and volunteers; develop leadership in health care excellence throughout the facility; evaluate and respond to the changing healthcare needs of the service area; and, ensure fiscal responsibility and long-term financial viability.

### Our Values

Values endorsed by Memorial Hospital and Manor are Quality, Teamwork, Courtesy, Improvement, and Integrity.



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