



## In Memoriam: Frank Howard DeLand, MD, 1921–2015

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Frank Howard DeLand, MD, who devoted his professional life to the practice of nuclear medicine and for almost a decade served as the editor of *The Journal of Nuclear Medicine*, died on February 27. He was born in 1921 in Jackson, MI. His education in engineering at the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) was interrupted by service in World War II, where he was a captain in the U.S. Army Air Corps, flying reconnaissance in the Pacific theatre. He became a member of the China Burma India Hump Pilots Association and earned numerous recognitions for meritorious service.

After the war, he completed his bachelor's degree at the University of Michigan and in 1952 received his medical degree from the University of Louisville (KY). After an internship at Philadelphia (PA) General Hospital, he served as a fellow in pathology at the Mayo Clinic (Rochester, MN), where he also earned a master's degree in pathology. Dr. DeLand's earliest appointments were at The Ohio State University (Columbus; 1956 and 1957) and at Florida Southern College (Lakeland; 1960–1967). After training in nuclear medicine at Johns Hopkins University (Baltimore, MD), he became a professor of radiology at the



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University of Florida School of Medicine (Gainesville; 1970–1974), followed by professorships at the University of Kentucky School of Medicine (1974–1985) and from 1985 until his retirement at the State University of New York (SUNY) School of Medicine (Syracuse). At SUNY he served as a professor of radiology and pathology and as associate dean of the SUNY Health Science Center.

Dr. DeLand lectured both nationally and internationally on a broad range of topics representing the multiple foci of nuclear medicine in its formative years. He served as the editor of *The Journal of Nuclear Medicine* from 1975–1984 and as president of the Southeast Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM) in 1981 and 1982. He contributed as a member on numerous committees of the SNM and on the SNM Board of Trustees. He was a member of the American Board of Nuclear Medicine. He authored many books and more than 175 peer-reviewed articles and contrib-

uted to the development of the first automated blood culture system.

Dr. DeLand is survived by Mary Maitland Schwab DeLand, his wife of almost 66 years, 4 children, and 6 grandchildren.