

7TH ANNUAL NATIONAL SPEAKERS LUNCHEON

Honoring Dr. Ian Thompson, Jr., Beacon Award Recipient

Dr. Ian Thompson, Jr. received his B.S. from West Point and M.D. from Tulane University. After a Residency in Urology in San Antonio, he completed a fellowship in Urologic Oncology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC). Dr. Thompson retired as a Colonel from the U.S. Army, serving as Chairman of the Department of Surgery at Brooke Army Medical Center. He served in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Iraq as a General Surgeon in the 41st Combat Support Hospital during Operation Desert Storm/Shield. Dr. Thompson currently serves as President for CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Hospital - Medical Center and Vice President for the market oncology service line.



Dr. Thompson has served as President of the Society of Urologic Oncology, Chair of the Residency Review Committee for Urology, Chair of the Early Detection Network of the National Cancer Institute (NCI), and President of the American Board of Urology. He currently is Chair of the Genitourinary Committee of the Southwest Oncology Group and serves on the Board of Scientific Advisors of the NCI. Dr. Thompson has published over 600 scientific papers and has had multiple grants from the NCI. He is the recipient of the Legion of Merit and Order of Military Medical Merit from the Department of Defense, the Huggins Medal from the Society of Urologic Oncology, and the Hugh Hampton Young Award from the American Urological Association. He received the Baron Award from the American Cancer Society on October 14th and will receive the Distinguished Alumnus Award from MSKCC on October 19th.

Featuring Chaplain (MAJ) Jeffrey Whorton, Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA



Chaplain (MAJ) Jeffrey Whorton received his undergraduate degree from Baylor University and later graduated from Trinity School for Ministry with his Master of Divinity. He joined the United States Army in 2003 and has served deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan. In 2008, Father Whorton was ordained a Catholic priest for the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

Father Whorton is believed to have been the last priest to offer Mass on the sacred 1,400-year-old altar of Iraq's oldest Christian monastery, St. Elijah, before it was destroyed by ISIS. He describes the experience as the highlight of his entire priesthood.

In 2016, he received his Master in Counseling from Webster University and is currently pursuing certification as a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT). Father Whorton lives in Kansas with his wife and six children. He serves as the Family Life Chaplain at Fort Leavenworth, KS.