

Cecil Stanford Harrell, known to his friends as “Stan”, was born in Thomaston, Alabama in 1934. The fifth son of a country doctor, he grew up in a family that valued education, hard work, and independence. He attended high school at Marion Military Institute and graduated from Auburn University in 1958 with a Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy. Stan also served 18 months in the medical corps of the US Army in Europe.

After graduating from college, Stan worked in various retail pharmacies in Central Florida before becoming a sales representative for Eli Lilly & Company. He then moved to Tampa where he owned several retail pharmacies and continued his education with graduate studies at the University of South Florida. His pharmacy experience along with his innovative out-of-the-box thinking helped him see an opportunity to provide services to worker compensation claimants and to provide cost savings for workers compensation insurance companies – thus the formation of Pharmacy Management Services, Inc. (PMSI) in 1972. PMSI was one of the first mail order pharmacies in the country and the first to solely focus on health care cost containment for workers compensation clients. Stan’s innovative approach set the industry benchmark by saving time and money plus providing medical and pharmacy supplies to patients faster and more efficiently. As Chairman and CEO, Stan grew a single pharmacy to a multi-million dollar business. PMSI went public (NASDAQ:PMSV) in 1990 and by the following year, it was listed as No. 21 in Fortune Magazine’s annual listing of the 200 best small companies in the United States. Business Week also awarded the same ranking in a list of its top 100 growth companies. Stan served as its President, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer until its merger on July 27, 1995 with Beverly Enterprises (NYSE:BEV).

Stan has served as a director of many different companies: National Healthcare Resources, Inc.; the Florida Health Sciences Center, Inc., the holding company of Tampa General Hospital (Vice Chair); American Managed Care Pharmacy Association; Nationsbank South; Pharmerica; AmSouth Bank; Whitney Bank; Dauphin Capital Partners (Advisory Board); and others.

Stan has long served as Chairman of the Board of Metropolitan Ministries – a position he has held for over 10 years. He has served many other charities as well: The Board of Fellows at the University of Tampa, The Board of Directors for the Auburn University Foundation (Director); Tampa General Hospital Foundation board (Director); the Tampa Bay History Center (Board of Trustees); and others.

Stan has received many awards including the following: American Managed Care Pharmacy Association - Board of Directors Service Award; The University of Florida College of Pharmacy Distinguished Service Award; Ernest & Young/Merrill Lynch - Entrepreneur of the Year; James H. Kynes Memorial Award; Governors Business Leadership Award; NSFRE Outstanding Philanthropist of the Year; Tampa Bay Blue Chip Award – PMSI.

Stan is married to Frances “Frankie” (Garner) Harrell and has two children, and five grandchildren. He has spent the last few years working on a book about the “Canebrake Planters” – a book of historical plantations and genealogy in the Canebrake region in Alabama.