

Rosalie McDonald – Just the Facts

- Born on January 19, 1891 in Alvarado, Texas
- One of 8 children
- Father and paternal grandmother were from Georgia
- Attended St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing in Galveston, Texas
- Received nurse anesthesia training from Washington Park Hospital, Chicago, Illinois, graduated in 1924
- Began professional career at Emory Hospital July 1924, becoming chief nurse anesthetist until retirement in 1964
- Researcher, published author, speaker
- Presented "Carbon Dioxide Filtration Method of Anesthesia" at the First Annual Meeting, National Association of Nurse Anesthetists (1933)
- Instrumental in the organization of the Georgia Association of Nurse Anesthetists (1937)
- Served as first President of GANA
- Served in a variety of GANA offices and on many committees from 1937-1962
- Participated in the organizational years of the AANA
- Served as the 6th President of the AANA (1942-1944)
- Active in AANA offices and committees from 1934-1944
- Honored by the GANA on August 18, 1962 for her untiring efforts towards her profession and community
- Worked forty years at Emory
- Retired at the age of 73 to Texas
- Died on January 30, 1973, aged 82 years
- First Rosalie McDonald Award presented at the GANA's 50th Anniversary Meeting in 1988 to Nell Livingood, CRNA
- Rosalie McDonald's legacy – The Georgia Association of Nurse Anesthetists