

# CHAPTER ETERNAL

Obituaries listed here were **reported** between July 1 through September 30, 2021. Year of initiation is shown after name. Flags denote veterans. Please email Chapter Eternal announcements to [membership@phikappapsi.com](mailto:membership@phikappapsi.com).

## California Beta - Stanford

### Stephen R. Smith '46

Beloved Husband, Father, Grandfather, Philanthropist, Seaman, Outdoorsman, Inventor, and more ...Remembered and Missed.

Stephen Randolph McCune Smith was born in Des Moines, Iowa to Norvin Ellis Smith and Helen Agnes Heberling. His family moved to Altadena, California when Steve was a young boy. As a teenager, Steve participated in the Trailfinder's School for Boys summer camps and was inspired by its founder Henry James to have a deep love for the California wilderness. After departing the Army during WWII, Steve attended Stanford



University's School of Aeronautical Engineering. At Stanford he met his wife, Margaret; they married on December 20th, 1950. They started out in Redondo Beach, CA and began a family later moving to Palos Verdes, CA where they raised their five children. Steve was a founding member of King Harbor Yacht Club and an avid sailor, owning many vessels all named Neiani. Steve worked at Northrop Corporation for 40 years, ending his career as Vice President and General Manager of the Aircraft Division in Hawthorne CA. Steve was most known for his advancements in stealth technology as the original project manager for Tacit Blue. He was honored for his efforts with the Dept. of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service and his name is on the B2 patent. Steve retired at 63 and dedicated much of his time to causes that he loved: the James Reserve, in honor of the Trailfinders legacy, the Boy Scouts, the Western Museum of Flight in Torrance and St. Francis Church in Palos Verdes. Steve and Margaret remained married all their lives, celebrating 67 years together. Their family blossomed with 15 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. They spent their long retirement together, traveling the world, sailing, hiking, skiing, camping and hosting large gatherings of family and many dear friends. Margaret, predeceased Steve, as did his son, Stephen R. Smith Jr., and his grandson Brendan Kutler. He is mourned and sorely missed by his children and their spouses: Stephen R Smith Jr.'s widow, Nina Smith; Susan Smith; Sara Kutler and husband Jon; Anne Yee and husband Jon; and Julia Carroll and husband Craig; by his grandchildren: Stephen R. Smith III, Nicholas Smith; Alex Smith; Nathan Canning and wife Tia; Orion Canning; Sean Canning; Jeremy Canning; Caroline Kutler; Taryn Barrette and husband Bill Moore; Lauren Barrette; Audrey Carroll; and Spencer Carroll; by step grandchildren: Sydney Yee and husband Rex; and Alex Yee; and by great grandchildren: Laith Canning and Lucy Barrette-Moor. Services will be held at Green Hills Memorial Park on Friday July 30th, 11:30 am. In lieu of flowers, family members request donations to the Alzheimer's Association, [alz.org](http://alz.org).

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/latimes/name/stephen-smith-obituary?pid=199552819>

### Lauriston J. Lane '50

Lauriston J. Lane's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## California Gamma - Cal

### Barry W. Ongerth '68

Barry Wade Ongerth passed away on Sept 5, 2021 after a courageous battle with esophageal cancer. Raised in Hillsborough, Barry lived the last 40 years in Burlingame and



was a familiar face to many. He was an athlete and an avid sports fan. His lifetime devotion to sports started as a young child, playing any sport that involved a ball. He attended 49er games with his father at Kezar and Candlestick, and continued to Levi Stadium with his wife Tina. Tina was always amazed that he would call the play before the announcer. Attending three 49er Superbowls, fans gathered around him as he

described the set-up of the next play. As a Cal Bears ticket holder, it was mostly about catching up with old and new friends at the tailgate and traveling to away games. He attended Warrior games through good and bad teams, some seasons missing but a few games and even traveling to see them play on the road. Finally, he was rewarded with the recent Championship years. Barry was a proud Cal Berkeley graduate, majoring in Art History which continued to be his passion as he and Tina traveled around the world with many dear friends and family. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, forming lifetime friendships with his Brothers and looked forward to the annual Big Game Phi Psi Lunch. With Tina, Barry transformed the Travelodge in Millbrae to the highly-ranked boutique hotel, The Dylan. He was past Chairman of the Travelodge Board and the San Mateo County Visitors Bureau. He was also very active in tourism committees supporting airport travel. He was a donor of the San Francisco Fine Arts Museum and Peninsula Humane Society. He loved art and acquired a complete collection of the original Fillmore and Avalon Rock Posters. Barry loved animals. Dogs always sensed he would drop a tidbit or two. Mostly, he loved his cats. He had a special bond with Balboa. Jessie had him wrapped around her little paw, and Cole just melted his heart. Top Ten Little Known Facts about Barry: 1. He once was a 5-6th grade teacher 2. He was the leading scorer on his Burlingame High Basketball team 3. He was crowned Best Dancer in high school 4. His favorite artist was Hieronymus Bosch 5. He remembered people's first and last names 6. He once owned a Volvo station wagon 7. His favorite singer was Marty Balin 8. He brought two 10-lb weights in his suitcase to Australia 9. He was sentimental 10. He let his cat, Cole, eat off his plate. Top Ten Well-Known Facts about Barry: 1. He was handsome 2. He was intelligent 3. He was an incredible listener and enjoyed a good conversation about anything 4. He had a great sense of humor 5. He never left the house not looking his best 6. He encouraged those around him to look their best 7. He was a loyal friend 8. He loved music 9. He loved to workout 10. He was just fun to be around. Along with his wife Tina (Christina Andreoli Ongerth), Barry is survived by his sister Susan Woodell Mascall of Burlingame, his niece and nephew Keelin and Colin Woodell of Los Angeles, and many more loving in-laws, nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The San Francisco Fine Arts Museum, Pets in Need or the Peninsula Humane Society.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/sfgate/name/barry-ongerth-obituary?pid=200075341>

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## California Delta - Southern Cal

### Harold H. Downey '50

Harold Henry Downey was born on June 16, 1931 and passed away on December 21, 2017 in Rancho Cucamonga, California.

### David M. Holmes '56

David M. Holmes' death was reported August 20, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## California Epsilon - UCLA

### Gary W. Donnahoo '76

Gary W. Donnahoo, resident to Ken Caryl, Colorado, Airline Pilot and Air Force Veteran, passed away on August 28th, 2021 at the age of 64, in the ICU after a month-long battle with COVID. Gary is survived by his wife, Tammy; his children, Lauren, Mark, Christie and Daniel; his siblings, Doug, Larry, Brian and Karen; and several nieces and nephews. Gary was born on March 6, 1957 in Washington D.C. to George and Mary Donnahoo. He graduated from UCLA in 1978 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics; while attending UCLA he was a proud member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. Shortly after graduating from



UCLA, Gary joined the Air Force and served from 1979 to 1987. He was a part of the 80-05 Pilot Training Group at Williams Air Force Base and after graduating Flight School in 1980, he served three tours as a USAF F-4 Fighter Pilot. Gary earned numerous medals and achievements and was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service. After his military career, Gary joined American Airlines in 1988 and served as Captain until he became ill. Gary was a devoted father and husband and a proud grandfather to Bryson which he adored. You could catch him on his mountain bike, hiking various trails, walking his dogs or heading to the mountains for a weekend getaway with his wife, Tammy. He was a Shakespeare enthusiast and loved to listen to Frank Sinatra and other live music. Gary will be deeply missed by friends, family, co-pilots and all who knew him. A memorial service will be held at Fort Logan National Cemetery on Friday, September 17th at 12pm MST. A reception will immediately follow at Raccoon Creek Golf Course in Littleton. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Freedom Service Dogs: <https://freedom servicedogs.org/donatefsd/>

<https://www.horancares.com/obituary/Gary-Donnahoo>

## California Zeta - UC Santa Barbara

### David L. Sale '68

David L. Sale passed away April 1, 2019. His death was reported August 30, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Kenneth D. Blumenfeld '85

Kenneth D. Blumenfeld's death was reported August 27, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Colorado Alpha - Colorado

### Aubrey D. West '61

Aubrey D. West passed away on August 15, 2017 in Colorado Springs. He was born on July 12, 1942 in Nebraska City, Nebraska to Weimer and Alice (Graves) West. He grew up in Nebraska



City and spent summer vacations in Colorado with his family. He was eager to live near the mountains, when his family moved to Littleton, CO. in 1958. He later climbed more than forty of Colorado's fourteeners. Aubrey graduated from Littleton High School in 1960. He received a B.A. in history from the University of Colorado in 1964 and later a Master's in education from

Denver University. Aubrey moved to Colorado Springs with his wife Helen in 1966. He taught history and government at North Junior High and Palmer High School and at Pikes Peak Community College. He was a gifted teacher who encouraged his students to participate in National History Day. Many of his students won awards for their projects. Aubrey also received awards for excellence in teaching: Daughters of the American Revolution Teacher of the Year in 1989 and the Crystal Apple Award from School District #11 in 1999. In retirement, Aubrey volunteered at the Pioneers Museum. Aubrey and Sue married in 1985 and together enjoyed traveling, backpacking, hiking and cross-country skiing. Aubrey always had his Norwegian Elkhound or Siberian Husky along on his adventures. Aubrey is survived by his wife Sue and three children: Andrew, Heather and Colin West and four grandchildren. His two sisters: Carol West and Kathy Sullivan also survive. Memorial donations may be made to the Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum or to the Gateway Presbyterian Church.

<https://obits.gazette.com/us/obituaries/gazette/name/aubrey-west-obituary?pid=186432349>

## Connecticut Alpha - Trinity

### Diggory D. Robertson '57

Diggory D. Robertson, of Stamford, Connecticut, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 12, 2021. He was born on June 19, 1936 to the late J. Douglas and Elizabeth (Johnson) Robertson.



Diggory was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. His family meant everything to him and they were his world. Nothing made him happier than spending time with them, providing for them, and helping them in any way he could. Diggory was born and raised in Manchester, Connecticut, and graduated from Manchester High School in 1954. He received a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Trinity

College in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1958. After college, he received a Master of Business Administration degree from the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia in 1961. Diggory was proud of his long and distinguished military career

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with the Connecticut Army National Guard. After 35 years of faithful service, he retired with the rank of Major. His primary experience was in Personnel, Training, and Maintenance Management. At retirement, he was a Labor Relations Specialist at the Hartford Armory in the Human Resources Management Office. Diggory is survived by his loving wife, Margaret Vaccaro Robertson. He was the beloved father of Mary Robertson and Laura Robertson (Wes). He was also the proud "Papa" of Bryce and Ronin Robertson. Diggory will be dearly missed. He will be remembered for his intelligence, integrity, and kindness by all who knew him and loved him.

<https://www.bosakfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Diggory-Robertson/#!/Obituary>

## Florida Beta - Florida

### Charles R. Weniger '77

Charles R. "Charlie" Weniger passed away peacefully in his home on October 28, 2018 at the age of 64. It is with heavy hearts that his family says goodbye to our husband, father, brother, uncle,



and "Grandpa Hots". Charlie was filled with memories of a life lived, and loved, to the fullest. Born in Pittsburgh, PA, Charlie graduated from the University of Florida and made his home in St. Petersburg, FL early in his career. Charlie established Weniger Financial, Inc., his financial advisory business, in 1994. He took great pride in helping his clients through the highs and

lows of life. Charlie was an avid Florida Gator fan, a boating enthusiast, and a family man. He was best-known for creating a life centered on spending time with his family, working hard, helping others, and having fun. Always looking for ways to give back, Charlie was active in several community organizations. He was a member of the Board of Directors of St. Anthony's Hospital (former Chairman) and BayCare Health System. He was a 20-year member of the Board of Directors of The Children's Dream Fund. He also served on the Board of Directors of The Children's Home of Tampa and The Canterbury School of Florida, and on the Advisory Board of the University of Florida MBA program. In his free time, Charlie was always on the go, squeezing everything he could out of his beautiful life. Whether taking boat trips to Key West and the Dry Tortugas with family and friends, riding motorcycles through the backroads of the U.S. with his wife, taking trips to ride rollercoasters with his son, coaching his daughter in soccer, skiing in Colorado, or simply enjoying breakfast in his backyard overlooking the water, Charlie lived life to the fullest and without regret. Charlie is survived by his wife, Peggy; his children, Kari Heckert (Trip) of Prairie Village, KS and Rob (Alex Araujo) of New York, NY; his granddaughter, Annabelle Heckert; his siblings, Fred Weniger of Pittsburgh, PA, Christine McDermott of Pittsburgh, PA, and Pam Feeney of New Buffalo, MI; as well as his in-laws, cousins, extended family, and many close family friends. Charlie fondly remembered his parents, Frederick and Christine Weniger. In lieu of flowers, donations are being requested to The Children's Dream Fund ([childrensdreamfund.org](http://childrensdreamfund.org)) and St. Anthony's Hospital ([baycare.org/sah](http://baycare.org/sah)).

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/tampabaytimes/name/charles-weniger-obituary?id=1964328>

## Illinois Alpha - Northwestern

### James R. Collins '55

James R. Collins D.V.M., 78, of Dixon, died Friday, May 2, 2014, at Pinecrest Community in Mount Morris. He co-owned and operated the Dixon Veterinary Clinic in Dixon for 38 years prior



to his retirement. James was born April 21, 1936, in Osceola, Neb., the son of Clay Robert and Ruth Helen (Dunn) Collins. He married Ellabeth Shaw on Aug. 3, 1957, in Dixon. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Dixon and served on various committees. He served on the boards of Dixon National Bank/ Amcore Bank and Dixon Home Savings Banks, was chairman of the Dixon Memorial Arch

Committee, was president of the American Embryo Transfer Association, and president of the Mississippi Valley Medical Association. His memberships include K.S.B. Foundation, the Illinois Valley Medical Association, the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association, the Masonic Temple in Dixon, Gyros Club and he was a past member of the Dixon Rotary Association. He also was a captain in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corp. Survivors include his wife of Dixon; one son, Doug (Annie) Collins of Byron; two daughters, Janet (Michael) Stichter of Dixon, and Sarah (Jason) Kelly of Arvada, Colo.; one brother, Richard (Cathie) Collins of Dixon; seven grandchildren, Douglas (Elyse) Stichter of Chicago, Robert Stichter of Dixon; Carly, Laurel, and Laney Kelly of Arvada, and Dylan and Ellie Kate Collins of Byron; and one great-granddaughter, Lillie Stichter. He was preceded in death by his parents and infant daughter, Ann. In lieu of flowers, memorials have been established to Iowa State University School of Veterinary Medicine and First United Methodist Church in Dixon.

<https://www.shawlocal.com/2014/05/03/james-r-collins/agicrfm/>

### John Ruan III '62

Following a prolonged illness, John Ruan III passed away on September 11, 2021. Mr. Ruan was born on May 10, 1943 in Des Moines to John and Rose (Duffy) Ruan. His mother died at child



birth, and he was raised by John Ruan Sr. and his second wife, Elizabeth, to whom he was devoted. He attended schools in Des Moines and Culver Academy in Indiana, and graduated from Northwestern University and the program for management development at Harvard University. After graduating from Northwestern, he served as a Navy Seabee during the Vietnam War.

Mr. Ruan joined the family businesses in 1953 washing trucks and ultimately guided them to record growth and success. Those businesses included:

- Ruan Transportation Management Systems, which employs over 5,500 team members operating a nationwide fleet of nearly 14,000 trucks and trailers;
- Bankers Trust, the largest privately owned community bank in the state, with over \$5 billion in assets, operating from its home office in Des Moines, with branches in Cedar Rapids, Phoenix, Arizona, Omaha, Nebraska and Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and,



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- Ruan Incorporated, which manages the Ruan office building complex in downtown Des Moines.

In addition to those business leadership positions, Mr. Ruan served as Chairman of the Board of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and also served as Chairman of the World Food Prize Foundation for two decades. Under his leadership and guidance, the annual \$250,000 award for combating hunger in the world, funded by the John Ruan Foundation Trust, came to be recognized globally as the “Nobel Prize for Food and Agriculture.” Of special note was John Ruan III’s vision for transforming the century old Des Moines Public Library Building into the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates. To an overflowing crowd at the Greater Des Moines Civic Center in October, 2001, he announced a \$5 million Ruan Family gift to launch the capital campaign for the project. When it opened in 2011, the Hall of Laureates became a spectacular centerpiece of the Principal Riverwalk; its garden serving as an “urban oasis” of flowers and greenery in the city center. Over several decades, Mr. Ruan and his wife, Janis, spearheaded Des Moines beautification efforts in numerous other ways, including conceiving of and financing the plan to plant gardens in the medians along Fleur Drive between the airport and downtown, thereby creating a spectacular entryway into downtown. They subsequently added large planters along downtown sidewalks, creating a linkage to the riverfront development. In addition, under John and Janis’s leadership their family supported the Waterworks Park Redevelopment Project, the major renovation and expansion of the Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden, the Lauridsen Skate Park and the Robert Ray Asian Garden, all part of the Riverwalk development. As a special tribute to their parents, their children John Ruan IV and Rachel Ruan McLean, surprised their Mother and Father, by having the classic English garden at the Hall of Laureates named the Janis and John Ruan III Public Garden. Mr. Ruan was inducted into the Iowa Business Hall of Fame in 2012 and was named one of Central Iowa’s “25 Most Influential Business Leaders” by the Des Moines Business Record every year the list has been in existence. In 2019, he was chosen as a Sage Over 70. John Ruan III’s Community involvement also included his serving on the boards of Hubbell Realty, the Iowa Business Council, the Greater Des Moines Partnership, the Downtown Community Alliance, the national Chief Executive Organization and Castle Pines Golf Club. He was a Trustee of the Culver Educational Foundation and was Past Chairman of the Des Moines Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Greater Des Moines YMCA. As chairman of the John Ruan Foundation Trust, Mr. Ruan had overseen an array of philanthropic support to arts, culture and civic projects. The Ruan family was presented with the Bravo Award by the BRAVO Greater Des Moines organization in 2011. In 2012 he and his wife Janis were honored with the Des Moines Register’s annual Iowa Star Award. In his spare time, John was extremely active and maintained many hobbies, which varied depending on the season. He was a member of the Sundown Club, where he loved to duck hunt with his closest friends. He was an avid golfer and relished entertaining friends and colleagues at the Castle Pines Golf Club in Colorado. And throughout his life, most weekends in the fall revolved around football. Whether he was in Ames, Iowa City, Arrowhead Stadium, Soldier Field, or his beloved alma mater in Evanston, Illinois, the outcome of the game was far less important than having fun with all his friends and family at the tailgate party.

John also had a passion for history, with a bookshelf full of histories and biographies, and he took great pleasure in traveling with Janis throughout the world to see as many historic and fascinating destinations as possible. He was always up for a new adventure. However, his most cherished times were relaxing at home and having dinner with his close-knit family, grilling on his Weber in the back yard. Mr. Ruan is survived by his wife of 50 years, Janis; their two children, John Ruan IV (Alison), and Rachel McLean (Ben); and grandchildren, Abigail, John, Catherine, Jack and Emma. He was preceded in death by his sister, Jayne (Ruan) Fletcher; and his brother, Thomas. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations in honor of John Ruan III be directed to The World Food Prize Foundation.

<https://www.ilesfuneralhomes.com/obituary/John-Ruan-III/Des-Moines-Iowa/1887553>

## Illinois Delta - Illinois

### Joseph J. Stephens '53

Joseph John (Jack) Stephens Jr. 86, went to be with the Lord at home April 5, 2021. He was born July 11, 1934 in Lake Forest, Illinois to the late Joseph John Stephens Sr. and Theresa Dunn



Stephens. Jack attended the University of Illinois, received a degree in Trade and Association Management, and belonged to the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He worked and retired from the electric utility Commonwealth Edison of Chicago as an Economic Development Manager and District Manager. He loved visiting and entertaining family and friends, playing golf, landscaping, watching ball games, listening to music, traveling, and attending performances. He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years Joyce of the home; son John (Karen) Stephens of Gurnee, IL; daughter Laura (Steve) Sherman of Chesterfield, MO; son Scott (Jodie) Stephens of Des Moines, IA; grandchildren: Elizabeth, Jim, Clarine, Matthew Stephens; Sara, Thomas (TJ), Jessica Sherman; Drew, Sam, Joe, Kyra Stephens; sister Carol Hardman, brother Larry (Jan) Stephens, and many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to St. Bernard Catholic Church in Bella Vista or Circle of Life Hospice in Springdale.

<https://www.bellavistafuneralhome.com/obituary/joseph-jack-stephens-jr>

## Indiana Beta - Indiana

### James R. Polk '60



James Ray “Jim” Polk, 83 of Marietta, GA went to his eternal resting place on Thursday, July 15, 2021 peacefully while at his residence. Jim was born September 12, 1937 to the late Oeta and Raymond Polk in Oaktown, IN. At the age of eight he wrote about sports for the local paper, the Oaktown Press. After three years in the United States Navy, he attended Indiana University Bloomington and received his bachelor’s degree in government in 1964. He worked as a political staff writer for the Bloomington-based Herald-Telephone, and received the

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American Political Science Award. He moved to the Associated Press in 1962, and later joined the Washington Star in 1971. James R. Polk was an American journalist, known for his investigative reporting and coverage of American political corruption and fraud. Over the course of his career, he has covered the Raymond Donovan investigations, the Bert Lance controversy, the Abscam scandal, and the financial dealings of John Zaccaro, husband of 1984 Democratic vice-presidential nominee Geraldine Ferraro. Polk won several journalism awards: George Polk Award, an Emmy, and the Pulitzer Prize for Investigative Reporting. He was also the co-founder of Investigative Reporters and Editors that was headquartered in New Jersey. Among his many accomplishments he also was; employed by NBC from 1975-1992 as an investigative reporter, this was when he covered the Abscam, and racketeering case against Ferdinand and Imelda Marcos, and the Iran-Contra Affair; in 1992 he joined CNN as Senior Documentary Producer, during his time at CNN James was awarded the Emmy earlier mentioned. IN 1994 James was entered into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame (ijhf.org). Not only was James a well accomplished journalist and investigator, he still made time to put his family first as well as his colleagues. He was very involved with his children's athletics and coached all the teams that his children participated in while growing up, including; Little League, T-Ball, and Softball. He was a devoted family man and an avid sports fan; since moving to Atlanta, he was a dedicated Braves fan but his true passion was I.U. football and basketball. A quote from one of Jim's colleagues, "In any newsroom, to have Jim Polk praise your work was the ultimate compliment because he didn't give them out lightly. He was a tough teacher but generous with his time and talent. He once told me that my documentary was the finest documentary CNN ever produced including those, he, himself did. I think I cried when he told me that. That's how much Jim's opinion counted." Jim is survived by: his adoring wife, Cara Bryn Saylor Polk; son, Geoffery Polk (Crystal); daughter, Abigail Polk-Stolarsky (Igor); grandchildren Bradley Polk, Adam Robinette, and Bryan Robinette; and a brother, Dr. David Polk (Kitty). He was preceded in death by a daughter, Amy Ellen Polk. To honor Jim's wishes there will be a private burial in his hometown of Oaktown, IN. You may leave the family online condolences at [www.fredrickandson.com](http://www.fredrickandson.com). Fredrick and Son McClure-Utt, Funeral Homes is honored to be entrusted with Mr. Polk's arrangements. In lieu of flowers please make memorial contributions to Indiana University, at [myiu.org](http://myiu.org) for options.

<https://www.fredrickandson.com/obituary/James-Polk>

## Indiana Gamma - Wabash

### Danny J. Steele '55

Danny Joe Steele was born on April 23, 1936 and passed away on April 9, 2020. His death was reported August 19, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Indiana Epsilon - Valparaiso

### Donald A. Anderson '53

Donald A. Anderson's death was reported September 21, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### Richard D. Phillips '68

Richard D. Phillips' death was reported September 14, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Indiana Delta - Purdue

### Elmer R. Wagner '55

Elmer "Sno" Richard Wagner of Gig Harbor, WA, passed away on July 14, 2021, steadfast in his faith in Jesus and surrounded by loving family. Born January 9, 1935, to Lurena (Starkey) Wagner and Elmer Wagner, Elmer was the youngest of 10 siblings. The Old North End of Toledo was home to both their house on Ontario Street and family business, Wagner Plumbing and Heating, founded by his father in 1919. Elmer was a proud Polar Bear of Woodward High, where he lettered in varsity football and basketball, graduating in 1953. He went on to be a Purdue "Boilermaker," graduating with a degree in Electrical



Engineering in 1957. At Purdue, Elmer joined the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, and was fondly known to his brothers as Fudd. After college, Elmer served in the Army Signal Corps, then began a career that took him to the Allen-Bradley Co. in Milwaukee, WI and back to Toledo, to his family's business and Toledo Edison. In 1987, he moved to Washington state and began working as an engineer for Boeing Corp. Elmer started raising a family in Toledo and Sylvania in the 1960s and later moved to Perrysburg, where he built a new home. With his family, he loved to have fun, sing, dance, coach sports (whether or not he was the coach), attend his children's many recitals and games, and go to Mr. Freeze for a black raspberry shake. His children fondly remember summer vacations which took them across America, as well as holidays spent with Elmer's extended family in Toledo. Elmer's curiosity about science and love of nature led him to many excursions in the Pacific Northwest, camping, rock hunting, and panning for gold. He spent countless hours in his workshop, inventing and testing out new ideas. Elmer always loved a good card game, making his special chili recipe, and hanging out with family. He is especially remembered for his lively sense of humor, love of a rousing debate, quick wit, and gregarious, outgoing nature. He could talk to anyone and no one was a stranger to him. He was also a friend to animals, especially recalling his faithful dog, Jute and most recent pals, Pepper and Pono. Elmer moved to Gig Harbor, WA in 2012, where he has since lived with his beloved wife, Trudy. Here, he enjoyed taking care of the house and garden, restoring his Ford Model T, going out to breakfast with good friends, and having dinner at "The Sunset." He was a member of Agnus Dei Lutheran Church in Gig Harbor and enjoyed weekly bible studies. Elmer is survived by his wife, Trudy; his children, Michele (Chuck) Marsh, Margaret (Mark) Kohler, Lisa (Mike) Carmody, and Steve (Giggy) Wagner; and their mother, Linda; grandchildren Michael, Jennifer, Jessica,

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Celia, Lauren, Justin, Claire, and Luke; six great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandson Matthew, siblings Geneva, Henry, Howard, Elva, Allen, Flora, June, Lurena, and Royal, and former wife, Liz. Elmer's favorite saying was, "God is Good!" In lieu of flowers, please consider giving someone special a hug today and passing a smile to a stranger.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/toledoblade/name/elmer-wagner-obituary?pid=199517070>

## Iowa Alpha - Iowa

### Frederick E. Hitchcock

Frederick Edward (Fritz) Hitchcock, Jr, son of Frederick Edward and Zeta Harrington Hitchcock, passed away Saturday, August 14, 2021 in Los Angeles at the age of 81. Still very active and



vigorous, his death was unexpected, resulting from a fall the previous evening. Born in 1939 in Des Moines, Iowa, Fritz attended St. Augustin Catholic School and Roosevelt High School. After his family moved to northeast Iowa in his junior year, he graduated from Sacred Heart High School in Oelwein, Iowa. He subsequently attended the University of Iowa and joined Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He met

his first wife, Evelyn McCutchen, at the university and they married in 1960. He and Evelyn had two children, Nell Elizabeth "Beth" and Frederick Edward "Ted" Hitchcock, III. They were divorced and Evelyn passed away in 2016. Fritz was married to Mechelle Ross Hitchcock for 23 years and adopted daughter Rochelle "Shelly" Ross Breshears. They later divorced in 1999. Fritz began his automotive career as a management trainee in Chrysler's Dodge Division in Anaheim, swiftly climbing the ranks and acquiring his first new car dealership in 1969. His dealerships today include Puente Hills Toyota in the City of Industry, Northridge Toyota, and Toyota of Santa Barbara. Fritz didn't just own car dealerships. He was a dynamic force in the industry. He served as Chairman of the American International Automobile Dealers Association (AIADA). He co-founded the Automotive Free International Trade Political Action Committee (AFIT-PAC). He served as President of the California New Car Dealers Association, the Southern California Toyota Dealers Association and the Mazda National Dealer Council. In 2016, AIADA renamed its Grassroots Leadership Award in his honor, naming Fritz as its first recipient, recognizing him for his prominent advocacy in engaging elected officials and other policy makers on issues vital to the auto dealer community. His passion for service extended beyond the automotive industry as well. He was a past Chairman of the California State Chamber of Commerce. He received a Community Service Award from the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership. He was a recipient of the California Highway Patrol's Commissioner Award for the CHP 11-99 charitable foundation for widows and orphans of those officers killed in the line of duty. Beyond the world of business, Fritz was a true people person who was never happier than when he was entertaining family and friends. A masterful storyteller who loved to laugh and had a boundless zest for life, he had an epicure's appreciation for the finest foods and his list of favorite restaurants in cities across the country was legendary.

Fritz made countless friends over his lifetime and he kept them, from his childhood in Des Moines through his high school and college years to his employees and many business associates across the automotive industry. Fritz also dedicated his time to various philanthropic endeavors. Over the years, his scholarship fund, The Hitchcock Educational Trust, has provided debt-free college educations to approximately 97 young men and women, in fields including nursing, medicine, education, political science, and engineering. Fritz loved people. He loved politics. He loved the car biz. A proud husband, father, grandfather, and brother, he was a mentor to everyone wise enough to lend him an ear. But most of all, he was a family patriarch and a friend. A friend who will be forever missed. Fritz is survived by his beloved wife, Nikki Nichols Hitchcock and her extended family; his children, Beth Hitchcock Hakes, Frederick Edward (Ted) Hitchcock, III, Rochelle (Eric) Breshears, and numerous grandchildren. In addition, he leaves six siblings: Gad (Margie) Hitchcock, Abby (Frank) Heydman, Sarah Maxwell, Celia (James) Hodges, Zeta "Libby" Hitchcock, Thomas (Kathy) Hitchcock, and his nieces and nephews. Fritz's remains will be interred privately at All Souls Catholic Cemetery in Long Beach, CA. Fritz has requested that any donations made in his name be designated to the Salvation Army.

[https://give.salvationarmyusa.org/give/164006/#!/donation/checkout?amount=100&recurring=0&c\\_src=WebsiteUSW&c\\_src2=PrimaryDonateButton](https://give.salvationarmyusa.org/give/164006/#!/donation/checkout?amount=100&recurring=0&c_src=WebsiteUSW&c_src2=PrimaryDonateButton)

### Gregg A. Erwood '79

Gregg Allen Erwood, 61, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on May 30, 2021. Memorial services will be at 11:00 am Saturday, June 5, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Des Moines



with burial at Resthaven Cemetery in West Des Moines. In lieu of a visitation, the family will visit with friends and guests at a luncheon immediately following the service in the church courtyard. Gregg was born on April 23, 1960 in Des Moines to Sheldon and JoAnn (Clements) Erwood. He graduated from Valley High School in 1978 and the University of Iowa in 1982.

While attending U of I, he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity (Iowa Alpha Chapter). After graduation he began working for National Travelers Life Company in 1983, where he retired in 2019. In 1984 he married the love of his life, Janelle Parker and together they had two children, Ashley and Scott. Gregg's interests included golfing, camping, NASCAR Racing, cheering for the Kansas City Chiefs and the Iowa Hawkeyes. He loved to spend time with his family and playing with his grandchildren Hadley, Shae, and Liam. Gregg is survived by his wife Janelle, daughter Ashley (Nate) Lossner of Norwalk, son Scott of Waukee, brother Brent C. Erwood (Susan) of Leawood, Kansas; sister-in-law, Patti Erwood of Atlanta, Georgia; 3 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Sheldon Clark and JoAnn Yvonne Erwood, and brother, Dr. Scott C. Erwood. Memorial contributions may be directed to Head for the Cure [www.headforthecure.org](http://www.headforthecure.org) in Des Moines, IA.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/west-des-moines-ia/gregg-erwood-10213561>



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### **James H. Clapper '39**

James H. Clapper's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### **Lewis Nady '39**

Lewis Nady's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### **Robert F. Walker '39**



Robert Francis Walker, 96, of Escondido, CA, passed away on Sunday, January 29, 2017. Bob is survived by his wife of 61 years, Adela (Lele), daughter, Carmen, son, Bob, and grandson, Tyler Ryan. Bob was born January 14, 1921, in Mason City, the son of Perc and Bernice (Speer) Walker. Bob lived in Clear Lake until graduating from Clear Lake High School in 1938. After high school, he attended Iowa State University, from which he graduated in 1942 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering. Bob served in the Pacific during World War II, on board the submarine USS Pintado as a Lieutenant, Jr. Grade. After the war, Bob worked for Eastman Kodak in Rochester, New York for several years before embarking on a career which entailed a number of international work assignments.



Bob met Lele while on a work assignment in San Juan, Puerto Rico. After a quick courtship, they were married on December 15, 1955. Their daughter, Carmen, was born in Chicago, IL in 1958; their son, Bob, was born in Sao Paulo, Brazil in 1961. Bob's career allowed him to travel extensively, with assignments in Sao Paulo Brazil, Madrid Spain, London England, New Jersey and California. Bob retired to the San Diego, CA area in 1992. Bob was a dedicated family man who took tremendous joy in traveling and vacationing with his family; something he did as often as his work allowed. He cherished his international assignments as they afforded his family the opportunity to travel extensively, have broad experiences, and instill in his children a likeminded love of travel, language and culture. One of his most proud moments was the birth of his only grandchild, Tyler, whom he and Lele visited in Seattle before Carmen and Tyler moved to San Diego where they could spend even more time together. Later in life, Bob rediscovered his love for sailing and photography. His love of sailing began during his childhood summers in Clear Lake. Upon retiring to the San Diego area, he sailed at every opportunity, even earning his 'captain's stripes' from the US Coast Guard. Ever the avid photographer, Bob and Lele would travel extensively up and down the West Coast, and to the National Parks in search of that elusive perfect photograph. The family has the good fortune of having Bob's many photographs as a reminder of his skill and passion.

<https://www.colonialchapels.com/obituaries/Robert-Walker-47/#!/Obituary>

### **Curtis S. Walseth '39**

Curtis was born on December 20, 1919 and passed away on Monday, March 4, 2013. Curtis was a resident of Olympia, Washington.

<http://www.tributes.com/obituary/show/Curtis-S.-Walseth-95452531>

### **Robert M. Acker '42**

Robert M. Acker's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### **Hess Peters '42**

Hess Peters' death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### **George G. Cary '43**

George G. Cary passed away January 24, 2012. His death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### **Robert W. Donovan '43**

Robert W. Donovan's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### **Theodore G. Garfield '43**

Theodore G. Garfield Jr., 52, Decatur, Illinois formerly of Northbrook, died July 12, 1977 in Decatur Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Jerry Ermeling Garfield, formerly of Wilmette, whom he married in 1956. Mr. Garfield was born in Ames, Iowa, the son of Judge Theodore G. Garfield, Sr., and Carolyn Garfield. He is survived by his wife; daughters, Mary and Elizabeth; son, Theodore G. III; his parents; brothers, David and John; and a sister, Carol Carson.

<https://news.wilmettelibrary.info/1707105/data?n=138>

### **Jack H. Whiton '43**

Jack H. Whiton's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### **Hugh W. MacTier '46**



Hugh Wallace "Scotty" MacTier, Omaha, Nebraska, passed away at age 90 on December 29, 2016. A long-time cattleman, at 30 years old, Hugh was the youngest person ever elected President of Omaha Livestock Exchange, which at the time was the largest livestock market in the world. He is survived by his wife of 66 years; Joan, and children Kim (Wayne) Clure, Meredith (Duncan) Young, Heather (Phil) Gudgel, Scott (Karan) Mactier. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

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## John W. Barber '47

John W. Barber, 90, long-time resident of Mendota Heights passed away peacefully April 25, four days short of his 91st birthday. Born and raised in Waterloo, IA, to parents Nathan and Rita, Jack served in the Navy during WWII on a troop transport in the South Pacific, and later retired as a Lt. Commander in the Naval Reserve. He graduated from Iowa State University with degrees in Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, worked for Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, and later US WEST, retiring in 1991, after 41 years. Jack married his beloved Helena, a former high fashion



model from Vienna, Austria in 1954, and they started their life together in Rapid City, SD. Moving to the Twin Cities in 1961, they raised 3 children. Jack was active in the Office of Naval Research for over 20 years, and served as the Commanding Officer of the Volunteer Research Company at the U of M. He was also a member of the U of M Mechanical Engineering Advisory Board, serving as chairman for several years. He believed in civic responsibility and helped with many individual and community service programs in the Twin Cities. Jack was an avid outdoorsman, was always willing to lend a hand on projects, and could fix anything. He spearheaded the building of several local hockey rinks in Mendota Hts., complete with lights and warming houses, all with volunteer and donated labor and materials. He coached youth baseball and hockey, taught youth gun safety, and enjoyed gardening, hunting, and sports, especially golf, which he started playing at the age of 7. He worked at a golf course growing up, played through high school, and continued to enjoy his golf for the rest of his life. Jack and Helen were members of Mendakota Country Club since 1961. They were active in the community, loved to travel, and enjoyed ballroom dancing. Jack is preceded in death by parents, brother Nathan, Jr., and beloved wife of 62 years, Helena. Jack is survived by daughter Jacqueline, grandson Karl Pihlstrom; sons Lance of Orlando, FL, and John (Cathy), grandson Jake Barber, of Alpharetta, GA; nephew Mike LaCroix (Sally), and many friends. He will be greatly missed. Special thanks to staff and caregivers of the Commons on Marice in Eagan, for their dedicated care and friendship these last years; thanks also to staff at the MPLS VA hospital and clinics. A Memorial Service celebrating Jack's life will be held Saturday July 29, 11AM, at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 1575 Charlton Street, W. St. Paul 55118. Visitation at the church 1 hour before. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Macular Degeneration Research or the Alzheimer's Association.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/twincities/name/john-barber-obituary?pid=186101469>

## Robert T. McFerson '47

Robert T. McFerson's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Roger D. Judd '48

Roger D. Judd's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Robert E. Stabenfeldt '49

Robert E. Stabenfeldt's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Lawrence W. Whitford '49

Lawrence William Whitford Jr. graduated from Cedar Falls High School in the class of 1947. His father, L.W. "Mon" Whitford, was a longtime University of Northern Iowa baseball coach.



Lawrence went on and earned a Bachelor's of Science degree from Iowa State University. Upon graduation, Whitford was commissioned an officer after completing the Air Force ROTC program. While in the service Whitford met his wife Patrice Joan Lee, they were married in November 1953 outside of Dallas, Texas. The couple had two children, Nancy and Larry Jr. The family moved from base-to-base all across the

country. They lived in places like Indiana, Florida, Michigan, and Wisconsin, and briefly overseas in England. LT COL Whitford piloted F-100 Super Sabre jets and received two Air Medals during his service. In February 1969 he was sent to Southeast Asia and assigned to the 416th Tactical Fighter Squadron in the 31st Tactical Fighter Wing, better known as their radio call sign "Misty". The Mistys conducted classified missions over Laos. Their mission was to identify and intercept enemy supply lines along the infamous Ho Chi Minh Trail. This was an extremely dangerous assignment. The Mistys had a 28 percent casualty rate and infiltrated deep behind enemy lines. On November 2, 1969, LT COL Whitford and his navigator, Michigan native 1LT Carroll, departed their airbase in South Vietnam on a visual reconnaissance mission over the Ho Chi Minh Trail in Laos. During the flight Whitford radioed he was running low on fuel. Whitford's F-100 never returned to base. Several months later, a damaged plane thought to be the plane flown by Carroll and Whitford was found in the area with no bodies inside. Both men were declared missing in action by the Air Force. Later, in 1978, the Department of Defense reclassified the airmen as "presumed killed." Brother Whitford's death was reported to Phi Kappa Psi Headquarters on July 29, 2021. No obituary was found, but these websites provide information about his life and service to our country.

<https://www.pownetwork.org/bios/w/w083.htm>

<https://iowaveterans.uni.edu/veterans/lawrence-w-whitford-jr>

<https://www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces/55757/LAWRENCE-W-WHITFORD-JR/>

## Leroy E. Beal '50

Leroy (Lee) "Perch" Beal, 73, formerly of Sikeston, Mo., and a retired foreign service officer, died Feb. 2, 2002, from pneumonia at Suburban Hospital in Maryland. Born May 26, 1928, in Sikeston, son of the late Mary Henrietta Bryant and James Frederick Beal, he was an avid football player in high school and won a football scholarship to attend Iowa State University, becoming the first person in his family to attend college. Shortly after college in the late 1940s he served in the U.S. Marine Corps as an anti-aircraft crewman on the aircraft carrier USS Boxer.



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During this assignment, he narrowly escaped death when a large steel, aircraft-arresting cable snapped, flew across the deck and trapped him inside the “cage” of his gun station. Shortly after Mr. Beal left the Marines, he saw the Tyrone Power film, “Diplomatic Courier,” which inspired him to leave his small Midwestern town and joined the Diplomatic Courier Service to serve his country and to see the world. During his 35-year government career, he traveled extensively as a diplomatic courier and foreign service officer. His first assignment was Manila, Philippines, where he met his wife of 40 years, Charito Menendez. His other posts included: Frankfurt, Germany; Kampala, Uganda; Ankara, Turkey; Amman, Jordan; Jakarta, Indonesia; Jerusalem; Taipei, Taiwan; Stuttgart, Germany; Jeddah, Saudi Arabia; and Brussels, Belgium. He retired in 1991, but two years later complained of being bored and found a new job in Washington, D.C., with the Agency for International Development and the Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, writing grants and specializing in sub-Saharan Africa and the Sudan. Family and friends will always remember Lee as a kind, warm, caring and most generous person. Survivors include: his wife, Charito Beal of Annandale, Va.; one daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Stephen and Michelle Pappas of Potomac, Md.; one son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Iliana Beal of Alexandria, Va.; one granddaughter, Analiese Pappas of Potomac; nephews, Larry Beal and David Beal of Cape Girardeau and Ken Beal of Sikeston; and sisters-in-law, June Beal of Sikeston and Cecil Beal of Cape Girardeau; several cousins in Texas, Florida, Mississippi and Missouri; and many close friends in Sikeston.

<https://standard-democrat.com/story/1337240.html>

## **Darrel R. Toms '52**

We lost a good, caring, man of integrity on August 25, due to a prolonged hospitalization and complications he suffered from a neglectful accident on May 18. Born in Freeport, Illinois on



July 25 to Ruth and Darrel Toms. His nurse nicknamed him “Tom”. He was preceded in death by his parents and stepfather George Morris. He is survived by Janice Wahl Toms and daughters Tracy and Tamara Toms. In his childhood years, he worked on his grandparent’s dairy ranch and raised rabbits. Darrel went to grade school and high school in Mt. Morris,

Illinois. He participated in football, basketball and ROTC. He was 17 years old when his father died of a brain aneurysm. Following high school he spent four years at Iowa State with a degree in Animal Husbandry, hoping to become a large animal vet. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and the local chapter for many years. Darrel spent three years in the Air Force as a Navigator aboard the “Connie”. While stationed at McClellan Air Force Base in 1957, he met Jan at a wedding reception at the Officers Club in 1958. They were married June 1959. Darrel was employed with Travelers Insurance for 31 years as the Personal Lines District Manager. After retirement he and Jan coordinated medical seminars throughout Northern California. He was actively involved with Sons in Retirement, Inc., Country Club Branch #33 and was a Big Sir in 2007. He volunteered at Meals on Wheels and was a life member of Elks Lodge #2103. He loved the outdoors and many activities such as fishing, hunting, golf, boating and water skiing. He taught many people to ski.

He belonged to the Jolly Hookers and Wheels & Reels fishing groups, as well as a men’s poker club. Darrel was a man of faith who attended Good Shepherd Lutheran, and later St. John’s Lutheran Church, Sacramento. He was an active member and an usher for many years. In remembrance of Darrel, consider donating to your favorite charity or American Lung Association.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/sacbee/name/darrel-toms-obituary?pid=200053258>

## **Ned D. Moore '53**

Ned D. Moore died on Dec. 24, 2017, in Naples, Fl. of a stroke and heart attack. Ned graduated from Guthrie Center High School in Iowa and Iowa State University. He participated in the Naval ROTC program at Iowa State and was commissioned a Regular Officer upon graduation in 1956. After serving three years on active duty in Japan, he remained in the Naval Reserve and retired as Captain in 1989. Ned spent his entire civilian career in the Washington, DC area with Aluminum Company of America, Geological Survey and the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President. Since retiring to Naples, Ned spent much of his time on the tennis courts and various volunteer activities. He was active with the Jubilee Fellowship at Aston Gardens, on the leadership team, and was called Mr. Blue Zone for helping them become an NCH Blue Zone approved organization. He is survived by his wife Shirley, his brother, David (Annette) of Raleigh, N.C., son Kevin Moore (Leslie) of Annandale, VA., son Steven Moore (Robin) of Naples, Fl. and four grandchildren. Inurnment will be private at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Ned’s memory may be directed to Avow Hospice, 1095 Whipoorwill Lane, Naples, Fl. 34105



<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/naplesnews/name/ned-moore-obituary?pid=187684718>

## **Jay L. Dalgetty '54**

Jay L. Dalgetty’s death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## **Myron E. Snesrud '54**

Myron Snesrud, 85, of Rochester, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2019, at his home surrounded by his family. Myron Eugene Snesrud was born Oct. 2, 1934, to Ernold and Marguerite (Nelson) Snesrud in Minneapolis. After graduating from Rochester High School in 1952, Myron attended Iowa State University, where he obtained a degree as a mechanical engineer. Following graduation, Myron was hired at IBM and while working there, he attended the University of Minnesota to obtain his master’s degree. On Nov. 11, 1961, he was united in marriage to Suzanne Bratrud in Rochester. To this union, four children were born. Myron retired from IBM after 31 years. Later, he found himself accepting a job at Winona State University as the Director of Composite Engineering for



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11 years. He loved spending his time remodeling his family's homes and spending his summers at their summer home in Lake City. Myron enjoyed singing in a Rochester barbershop choir for many years. Along with singing, he also played in the Rochester ELKS drum and bugle corps. Myron is survived by his wife, Suzanne; three daughters, Ann (Dave) Haun, Tina (Charlie Maidl) Snesrud, and Stacy (Gene) Dierauer; three grandchildren, Taylor and Matt Haun, and Katie Dierauer; his brother, Arlin (Jan) Snesrud of Arizona; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, Mark, in 2012. Myron's family would like to thank the Mayo Clinic staff and Mayo Clinic Hospice for all of their care and support through Myron's medical journey. A memorial service is planned for a later date. Myron requested his body be donated to the Mayo Clinic Foundation for education. Memorials can be directed to the family which will be used to support the charities that were important to Myron.

[https://www.postbulletin.com/tributes/obituaries/myron-snesrud---rochester/article\\_f5841bb0-5cfc-5666-85f7-aea62129c971.html](https://www.postbulletin.com/tributes/obituaries/myron-snesrud---rochester/article_f5841bb0-5cfc-5666-85f7-aea62129c971.html)

## **William J. Orth '55**

William J. Orth's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## **Caren L. Reed '55**

Caren L. (Jeff) Reed, age 86, passed away July 27, 2021, at his home on Longboat Key, Florida, following a long illness. He and his wife, Judy, had lived most of their adult lives in the northern suburbs of Chicago. Preceded in death by his sister Gwendolyn Reed Baker, Caren is survived by his brothers: Gareth (LaVonne) and Keith (Beth). He is also survived by Judy, his wife of 65 years, three children: Tim (Liz), Betsy Clark and Andy, seven grandchildren -Graham Clark, Emery Clark (Melissa), Julia Williams (Ben), Maddie, Jack, Peter and Anna, two great grandchildren, 12 nephews and nieces and several grand nephews and nieces. Caren's extended family reside in seven states from California to Massachusetts. Caren was born November 14, 1934 to Florence and Ivan Reed in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He graduated from Martelle High School and Iowa State University. He married his college sweetheart, Judy, and moved to Evanston, Illinois after Caren accepted a position with the Continental Illinois National Bank, where he worked as a commercial banker for 34 years eventually becoming Executive Vice President and Head of North American Banking. After his career with Continental, Caren became a Founding Principal and President of The Private Bank and Trust in Chicago, rising to Vice Chairman of the Board before retiring in 1999. During his career and even after retirement Caren was active in many community and business boards with his favorites being a Director of the Ravinia Festival Board, Chairman of the Mather Foundation from 2006-2011, multiple terms in two HOAs and then Treasurer of the Bird Key Yacht Club in Sarasota without ever having owned a boat! But he was very exacting and precise with financial matters and was asked by many organizations



for his assistance. Even when he served six years in the Iowa National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserve he was usually put in charge of handling payroll matters. Caren will be remembered for his love of family, God and Country, loyalty, business success, honesty, and a warm smile that often included a knowing twinkle in his blue eyes, singing sweet lullabies and songs to his wife, children and grandchildren, countless gin games, generous self-served portions of ice cream, unending generosity and his love of and talent for many sports, especially tennis, baseball, 16" softball and basketball-and of course who could forget his lifelong love for the Cubbies. Caren was a memorable person who loved and was loved greatly and will be forever missed. Memorial services in Northfield, Il. and Sarasota are pending. In lieu of flowers please support the charity of your choice or Tidewell Hospice Foundation, Inc. 5955 Rand Blvd. Sarasota, FL 34238. Arrangements handled by Toale Brothers Funeral Home, 941.955.4171

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/chicagotribune/name/caren-reed-obituary?id=6257784>

## **Richard Rasmussen '55**

Richard "Dick" Rasmussen, 81, of LaHarpe, passed away at 4:34 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2017, at the Memorial Hospital in Carthage. Dick was born on May 15, 1935, in Exira, Iowa, the



son of Chester Cole and Clara Kathryn Thielen Rasmussen. On June 6, 1968, he married Sally Ann Bradshaw in Carthage. She survives. Following high school Dick attended Iowa State College. He then served in the U.S. Army, where he attained the rank of 1st Lieutenant. Following his military service, he attended the University of Iowa Law School. He began practicing law in 1963 where he operated Fort & Fort's law office in LaHarpe and shortly after he assumed ownership. He continued to practice in the LaHarpe area for many years. He served as the LaHarpe City Attorney for more than 40 years. Dick served on the First State Bank of Illinois Bank Board for a number of years. He was a member of the Twin Oaks Golf Course in Blandinsville, Macomb Country Club in Macomb, Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dallas City. He was an avid golfer and Iowa State Cyclones fan. He always enjoyed spending as much time with his grandchildren as possible. He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Susan Jewell of Asbury, Iowa; 1 son, William A. "Bill" (Betsy Wujek) Rasmussen of Carthage; five grandchildren, Bryce, Taylor, Olivia, Lucas and Hunter; two great-grandchildren, Gannon and Anastasia; nine siblings, Pat (Austin) Rice of Bradenton, Fla., Marty Kafer of Concord, Calif., Charlie (Jo) Rasmussen of Boise, Idaho, Katie (Larry) Graff of The Woodlands, Texas, Toni (John) Krieger of Iowa City, Iowa, Gary (Carol Lea) Rasmussen of Exira, Frank (Dorothy) Rasmussen of Tempe, Ariz., Mike (Kay) Rasmussen of Exira, and Sheila (Roger) Richards of Dallas, Texas; and two sisters-in-law, Pat Rasmussen of Leawood, Kansas, and Judy Rasmussen of Winterset, Iowa. Dick was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Leo and John Rasmussen; and one brother-in-law, Keith Kafer. A memorial fund has been established for the Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

[https://www.mississippivalleypublishing.com/journalpilot/obituaries/richard-dick-rasmussen/article\\_a422d90a-7627-5022-be18-dee0fe6764b7.html](https://www.mississippivalleypublishing.com/journalpilot/obituaries/richard-dick-rasmussen/article_a422d90a-7627-5022-be18-dee0fe6764b7.html)

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## **William J. Wentzel '55**

William J. Wentzel's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## **David W. Hubly '56**

Dr. David W. Hubly passed away April 16, 2020, of natural causes in San Carlos, Sonora, Mexico. He was a longtime resident of Colorado before moving to his home in San Carlos several years ago. He taught Civil Engineering for years at the University of Colorado Denver, where he also served as Dean of the College of Engineering and professor emeritus. Born in Battle Creek, MI in 1935, Dr. Hubly graduated from Boardman High School, Youngstown, OH in 1953 and attended the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He transferred to Iowa State University in Ames,



where he earned undergraduate and eventually, Masters and PhD degrees in Civil Engineering. Before entering graduate school, he and his family lived in Cedar Rapids, IA where he owned a concrete heavy equipment dealership. In the 1970's, he developed a Civil Engineering consulting practice in Denver before entering academia. Interment and a Celebration of Life service will be held in Denver at a later date. For questions, please reach out to David's son, Mark Hubly at 520-465-6056 or markhubly@me.com. For a full obituary, please go to <https://horancares.com/obits/david-w-hubly/>

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/denverpost/name/david-hubly-obituary?pid=196124958>

## **David L. Day '57**

David Landis Day, 84, of Marshalltown, Iowa passed away Monday, September 6th. Dave came from a long legacy of entrepreneurship. He grew up helping at his family's dairy Heart



of Iowa Dairy, first cleaning milk bottles and then driving a little stand-up delivery truck. It was during that time that he began to develop a strong work ethic and a brain for business that he took forward with him in life. In high school, Dave was very athletic. He played football and basketball, and he ran track, even competing in the Drake relays. He graduated from Marshalltown High School in 1955. Dave

went on to attend college at Iowa State University where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and a walk on member of the basketball team. After graduating in 1959, he worked a short time at the family-owned bowling alley, where he met his wife Donna. Shortly after, Dave enlisted and graduated from US Navy Officer Candidate School in 1960. He served as a navigator in the Navy until 1965. He was often called "Mr. Clean" during those days, though many in his life knew him by his CB handle "Bald Eagle." During his years of service, Dave traveled the globe, married his wife Donna, and welcomed their three eldest children into the world. After serving for five and half years, Dave returned to his entrepreneurial roots in Iowa and joined up with his father in the ownership and operations of Lloyd's restaurant in Marshalltown. He prided himself in his work in reducing costs and modernizing the business. During

that time, he and Donna also celebrated the birth of their two youngest children. In 1972, Dave started as a liquor broker for National Distillers & Paul Mason for the state of Iowa and established Iowa Liquor Products, Inc in 1980. Dave started in the liquor industry when it was relatively small. He became well known and respected amongst his colleagues in the liquor industry for his success and dedication to his work. At the time of his retirement in 2006, he was attributed with bringing in and introducing a lot of variety to the industry in Iowa, including brands like Bacardi, Tequila Rose, Malibu, and many others. Though for most Iowans, Dave's most famous contribution to the industry was Hawkeye vodka. In the late '80s, Dave founded & trademarked the brand, which to this day remains a well-known staple to the liquor industry in Iowa. Through the many years of business management and work, Dave always found time to enjoy life. He was always up for entertaining friends at home or meeting up with his buddies for a drink at Jack's. He maintained a passion for flying and continued flying part time for a number of years, both for work and for fun; at one point, he was the proud owner of a little air coup. On one short flight to visit his daughter in Ames, he found himself detained by the Secret Service due to the President utilizing the municipal airport. Dave also enjoyed taking the motorcycle out for a ride. Later in life, he and his partner Harriet were always venturing out on long road trips and enjoying new places and visiting with friends and family. David is survived in death by his partner Harriet Parrott; his brother Dennis Day; his children Jennifer Kapaun, Michael Day, Kimberley Day, and Julie Simkins; and his grandchildren Samantha Kapaun, Alec Kapaun, Will Simkins, and Sofia Simkins. He is preceded in death by his wife Donna (McFadden) Day, his son David McFadden Day, and his parents Eleanor and George Day. To celebrate the Bald Eagle's final flight, a memorial service will be held on Wednesday, September 15th at 2pm at Mitchell Family Funeral Home located at 1209 Iowa Ave W, Marshalltown IA 50158. For additional information or to send a condolence to the family please visit [www.mitchellfh.com](http://www.mitchellfh.com).

<https://www.timesrepublican.com/obituaries/2021/09/david-landis-day-84-2/>

## **Philip A. Groth '57**

Philip Andrew Groth, 83, of Pella, Iowa, passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 20, 2019, at the Comfort House of Pella. Phil was born on August 18, 1935, in Des Moines, Iowa, to the late



Lucille and Irling Groth. Phil was born and raised in Des Moines where he attended Roosevelt High School, graduating with the Class of 1953. A talented athlete, Phil was recruited by Iowa State where he played baseball and graduated with a degree in industrial engineering. His senior year at Iowa State the baseball team went to the College World Series in Omaha and finished Third. Phil signed a professional

baseball contract with the Chicago White Sox as a pitcher and played minor league ball in Holdrege, Nebraska; Twin Falls, Idaho, and Lincoln, Nebraska, as well as the Slater Nighthawks. After retiring from baseball Phil was an engineer for several companies including Armstrong Rubber, Massey Ferguson, Shaeffer Pen and Pella Window Corp. After 35 years with Pella, Phil retired on March 1, 2011. Phil was always a hardworking,



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conscientious and reliable person in his work and many personal relationships. He was loving, kind and always well-liked by his many friends, relatives and coworkers. Phil thoroughly enjoyed his years in professional baseball and reunited annually with his baseball teammates. His values and personality were influenced by his parents' rural Norwegian and German roots. Phil was also very active in Pella Kiwanis. Phil loved spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren as well as the frequent fishing trips to Canada with his stepson, Steve, and grandson, Chris. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Ellie (Eleanor Luella Wunder) Groth of Avoca, Iowa. Additionally, he is survived by his stepson, Steven C. Foulke (Cynthia) of Hartford, Iowa, his grandchildren: Stephanie VanVleet (Brandon), Christopher Foulke and Alayna Foulke and two great grandchildren: Mason and Presley VanVleet. Phil is also survived by his brother David A Groth (Beverly) and their three sons Todd Groth (Whitney), Deon Groth (Lauri) and Bryan Groth (Machelle) and five nieces and nephews. He will be missed by all that knew him.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/desmoinesregister/name/philip-groth-obituary?pid=191331559>

## **Dean D. Wieck '57**

Douglas Dean Wieck, 86, died of natural causes at the Iowa Veterans Community Living Center on April 30, 2019 in Des Moines, IA. Doug was born to Erwin and Alice Wieck in Des Moines, IA. A student of North High School in Des Moines, he later graduated from high school in California before being drafted into the US Army and served active duty during the Korean War - receiving an honorable discharge. Doug's career was primarily as a homebuilder and spent free time playing tennis, skiing, playing cribbage. Upon retirement Doug continued to reside in the home he built in 1976. He is survived by his three children and four grandchildren.



<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/desmoinesregister/name/douglas-wieck-obituary?pid=193097740>

## **Robert W. Harden '58**

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Robert William Harden (Omaha, Nebraska), who passed away on February 27, 2020, at the age of 83, leaving to mourn family and friends. He was predeceased by: his parents, Webster Harden and Mamie Harden; and his siblings, Jack Silverthorn, James Harden, Donald Harden, Richard Harden, June Teeple and Shirley Bardsley. He is survived by : his wife Judith Harden; his son Matthew Harden (Kimberly Wordekemper); his granddaughters, Jennifer Harden and Micah Ellis; and his siblings-in-law, Joyce Harden and Kurt Bardsley. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.



<https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/ne/omaha/robert-william-harden-10486663>

## **Edward J. Peeters '58**

Edward John "Jack" Peeters, 87, of Davenport, died Friday, May 15, 2020 at Genesis Medical Center, East Rusholme following a brief illness. A celebration of Jack's life will take place when we can all gather again. Halligan McCabe DeVries Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorials may be made to the family to establish a memorial at a later date. Edward John Peeters was born on April 2, 1933 in Davenport, a son of John H. and Ann (Nemluvil) Peeters. He graduated from Iowa State University with a degree in Agronomy. Jack proudly served our country in the Air Force at the conclusion of the Korean War where he served in Korea and Japan. He was united in marriage to Mary Ellen Johnson on April 18, 1959 in Rock Island. They have shared 61 years of marriage together. Following graduation, Jack worked in Ag Sales before purchasing his own business and renaming it EJ Peters Tool which he and his family operated from 1971 until 1995. He and Mary Ellen also owned and operated Play It Again Sports in Davenport and Moline. Never one to actually retire and enjoying talking with people, Jack also worked at HyVee and Jeff's Car Corner. Jack had a great passion for sports, enjoying golf and playing fast-pitch softball until was 52 competing in tournaments all over the Midwest. He also competed in bass fishing tournaments. Survivors include his wife, Mary Ellen, Davenport; children: Jay Peeters, Hannibal, Missouri, Susan (Zach) Harbit, Wilton, Iowa, Greg (Marisa) Peeters, Solon, Iowa, and Terry (Kelly) Peeters, Davenport; five grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, siblings: Ron (Charlene) Peeters, LeClaire, and Barbara Peeters, Oregon, and many nieces and nephews.



<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/qctimes/name/edward-peeters-obituary?pid=196201121>

## **Terry R. Chandler '62**

Terry R. Chandler's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## **Richard L. Limerick '62**

Richard L. Limerick, who was manager of the Fredericksburg (Virginia) Agriculture Fairgrounds, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2009.

## **Scott K. Asnin '63**

Scott K. Asnin passed away in October 2018 and his death was reported July 29, 2021. He was a resident of Colorado at the time of passing.



## **Robert W. Schaller '66**

Robert W. Schaller, 69, of Altoona passed away peacefully at home from complications of ALS on August 27, 2015. He was born January 29, 1946 in Des Moines to William and Maxine Schaller. Robert retired from Firestone after

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many years of dedicated service. In his free time, he enjoyed woodworking, golf and spending time with beloved family and canine friends. He is survived by his loving wife, Monika; children, Brian (Ronette) and Monica (Kevin) Brown; brother, Steve; brother-in-law, Terry Schwebke; Monika's children who were like daughters to him, Melissa (Scott) Caudill, Heather (Mike) Varvel, Ashley (Wyatt) Leininger and Angelique (Chris) McCoy; grandchildren, Lydia, Alexis, Logan, Jeremy, Delaney, Brooklyn, Bianca, Addison, Brynnley, Woodrow, Alistaire and Trenton. He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Pam; and grandson, Brennan. Memorials may be directed to the family to go towards a memorial close to Robert's heart.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/desmoinesregister/name/robert-schaller-obituary?pid=175681943>

## **James K. Hoffmann '68**

James K. Hoffmann's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## **Mark F. Anton '74**

Mark F. Anton's death was reported July 29, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## **Lawrence E. Madden '84**

Lawrence "Larry" E. Madden, age 57, of Western Springs, IL, passed away peacefully at home September 29, 2021, after a year-long battle with cancer. Cherished husband of Denise J. Kowalski for 18 wonderful years, and loving father to daughters Tess Madden and Alexandria Kopicki-Madden (Jae Choi). Beloved son of Marilou Madden and the late Daniel L. Madden. Dear brother of Helen, Denise, Maureen, Dan, Michael, Mary, Mark, Jane and Julie; nephew, uncle, cousin and loyal friend of many. For more than 20 years, Larry was co-owner and Managing Broker of Real Properties Realty Group, Inc. He was also an award-winning custom homebuilder and developer, and co-owner and partner of Real Properties Building Group.



<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/chicagotribune/name/lawrence-madden-obituary?pid=200253110>

## **Kyle L. Goodell '18**



Kyle Lee Goodell, 22, of Marion, Iowa, passed away Saturday, July 31, 2021. Kyle was born March 24, 1999, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the son of Todd and Donna (Schinckel) Goodell. He graduated from Linn-Mar High School in 2017 and from Iowa State University College of Human Sciences in 2021. Kyle was a member and actively involved in the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He was a social, charismatic person with an exuberance for life.

He loved spending time with his family and friends, playing games, and cheering on the Steelers and Dodgers. Kyle will be

greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. He is survived and preciously remembered by his parents, Todd and Donna Goodell of Marion; two sisters, Katie (Michael) Kreber of Shakopee, Minn., and Annie Goodell (Zane Hallauer) of Lenexa, Kan.; paternal grandfather, Ron Goodell of Oelwein, Iowa; maternal grandparents, Jack and Georgine Schinckel of Eldridge, Iowa; aunts, Debbie (Will) Brinkley, Denise (John) Vastine and Dawn, (Kenny) Stone; uncle, Chris (Shannon) Goodell; and numerous cousins and many close friends. Kyle was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Sally Goodell; uncle and aunt, Tim and Fran Goodell; and uncle, Matt Lake. A memorial fund has been established in Kyle's name.

<https://www.thegazette.com/article/kyle-goodell/>

## **Kansas Alpha - Kansas**

### **John S. Fotopoulos '52**

John S. (Gene) Fotopoulos, belovedly known as "Foto," passed away peacefully at his home in Playa Del Carmen, MX on September 16, 2021, just days after his 90th birthday. Foto



was born in Newton, Kansas and raised in Hutchinson. He excelled as an athlete at Hutchinson High School, Hutchinson Junior College and the University of Kansas. During his High School career, he starred as Quarterback of the Varsity Football Team, Captain of the Varsity Basketball Team and The Kansas State High School Singles Tennis Champion. Foto went on to

achieve the #1 Tennis ranking in Junior College and was named as a Juco College All-Star in Basketball. Foto was recruited to play both Basketball and Tennis at the University of Kansas, and played basketball under head coach Phog Allen. He was a member of the 1952 NCAA National Championship Basketball Team and was inducted into the KU Sports Hall of Fame. Foto was also the #1 player on the Men's Varsity Tennis Team.

The University Daily Kansan once described Foto as: "possibly KU's greatest athlete, pound for pound." Foto was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, and proudly served in the military based in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Shortly thereafter, he met and married Helen Tergin. Together they raised their children Carrie and Sam. Successful business interests include Foto's Office Systems, which he founded in 1961, and is now entering its 60th year in business. He also started Foto's Properties Mexico, in his favorite home away from home Playa Del Carmen, Mexico. Foto shared his time between Kansas City and Playa Del Carmen for the past 26 years...and cherished so many friends from both these cities. Foto was preceded in death by his parents: Sam and Mary Fotopoulos and his sister, Helen Bakeris. Foto is survived by his brother, Paul Fotopoulos (Toula), Potomac, MD; His children: Carrie (Dr. Cris) Barnthouse and Sam (Angie) Fotopoulos. His grandchildren Kristi (Ryan) McNearney, Dr. Nick (Dr. Maggie) Barnthouse, Christopher Fotopoulos, Mimi Fotopoulos and five great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Kansas City, Mo.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/kansascity/name/john-fotopoulos-obituary?pid=200228707>

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## **John T. Flannagan '55**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of the Honorable John Thomas Flannagan, who died peacefully on September 1st, 2021 in Overland Park, Kansas. He was 85 years old and lived a full and happy life. John was born November 22, 1935 in Fremont, Nebraska to John Joseph and Virginia Mae Flannagan. He grew up in Arizona and then Scott City, KS, where he was a high school sports star. Receiving football scholarship offers to both the University of Kansas and Kansas State and a basketball scholarship to Kansas State, he chose to walk on to KU's basketball team. While



at KU, he met the love of his life, Carol Anne Keller, whom he married in 1959. He loved and cared for her throughout his life. After John and Carol wed, John attended law school at Washburn University, where he found another great love of life, the law. After law school, he worked for and became a partner of Payne & Jones law firm. Soon after starting at Payne & Jones, John and Carol had three sons, Michael, Mark, and Sean. They lived happily in Olathe, Kansas, where John was known to play a mean game of tennis. John later became a US Bankruptcy Judge, a role that gave him much joy. After retirement, John concentrated on his grandchildren Kaitlin, John, Caroline, Camden, Sophie, and Colby, whose accomplishments made him very proud. John absolutely cherished attending the events in their lives and encouraging them in their pursuits. One of his passions was providing them with his knowledge and guidance to help them throughout their lives. They all loved their grandfather dearly and will miss him very much. John also appreciated his great friends, Phi Kappa Psi fraternity brothers and golf buddies. Later in life, John became obsessed with golf and in the end died happily with a golf club in his hand. John was preceded in death by his parents, John and Virginia; brother, Bill; and daughter-in-law, Holly. He is survived by his wife, Carol; sons and daughters-in-law: Michael and Stephanie, Mark and Risha, and Sean and Reiko, and his grandchildren: Kaitlin, John, Caroline, Camden, Sophie, and Colby.

<https://www.johnsoncountychapel.com/obituary/HonorableJohn-Flannagan>

## **Barclay A. Goff '68**

Barclay Arthur Goff, 72, of Midland, died unexpectedly on the golf course on May 19, 2021. The son of Lewin and Jean Ann (Erickson) Goff, Barclay was born in Iowa City, IA on April 9, 1949. He graduated from the University of Kansas in Lawrence, where he met his wife, Sherry. Their family eventually settled in Midland, MI in 1987, where they raised 3 daughters and have been actively involved in their community. Barclay was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather who cherished time with family above all else.

His unforgettable laughter embodied the joy and humor that he brought with him everywhere. He was a lifelong sports fan, from the sidelines of his daughters' games to teaching his grandchildren how to fish. As a member of the First United Methodist Church, he was a passionate Stephen Minister, participated in several mission trips, and was a beloved member



of fellowship groups. He loved spending time in northern Michigan, especially when he was hosting family and friends at their cabin on Benway Lake. Barclay is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sherry (Bornsheuer) Goff; daughters Norah (Chad) Bowerman of Erie, CO, Molly (Douglas) Lewis of Damascus, OR, and Hannah (Ian) Pray of Middleton, WI; and grandchildren Henry and Lauren Bowerman, Annie and Turner Lewis, and Simon Pray. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Wynne Alyn (Goff) Brochu.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/ourmidland/name/barclay-goff-obituary?id=12027568>

## **Kentucky Beta - Kentucky**

### **Joseph L. Hardy '95**

Joseph L. Hardy's death was reported on September 22, 2021, and no obituary was found.

## **Louisiana Beta - UL Lafayette**

### **John D. Schneider '69**

John D. Schneider, Jr., age 71, a resident of Baton Rouge, passed away on May 17, 2021. John graduated from the University of Louisiana Lafayette, where he was a member of Phi Kappa



Psi fraternity and furthered his education by receiving his J.D. from LSU Law School. Though an attorney by trade, John's true joy was in participating in the revitalization of downtown Baton Rouge with his business partner Brace B. Godfrey Jr. Among other historical renovations, his pride and joy were the redevelopment of the Kress building and Hotel Indigo. John was on the board of the Community Initiative Foundation

and consultant for Preserve LA. John is survived by his wife, Lorraine; children, Jacob and Chelsey Chapman, Justin Bauer and Meghan Bare; grandchildren, Audrey, Tyler, Madelyn, Nicholas, Evelyn and Emery; his siblings, Sherry, Karen, Kurt and Monica their spouses, and loving nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his father, John D. Schneider Sr and his mother, Juanita Agnes Schneider. Visiting hours will take place at Resthaven Funeral Home on May 23, 2021 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Initiative Foundation in Baton Rouge. The family wishes to extend our sincere thanks to the doctors and staff at Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center and Clarity Hospice.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/theadvertiser/name/john-schneider-obituary?pid=198738412>

## **Maryland Alpha - Johns Hopkins**

### **Vincent J. Millard '65**

Vincent J. Millard, 74, loved spending time in his garden. It was there that he suffered a fall that ended his life on Saturday, June 19, 2021. A son of the late Rev. Dr. Charles E. and Mildred Lowney Millard, he was born and raised in Warren, and most recently was a resident of Little Compton.





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Vincent attended the Portsmouth Abbey School, graduating in 1964, then graduated from Johns Hopkins University. He moved to New York City where he worked for the law firm Howard, Smith, & Levin. He also found work in television and film, appearing in productions including the long-running soap opera Search for Tomorrow and the film Network. He returned to Rhode Island about 3 decades ago, earned his masters degree from Providence College and launched a successful and gratifying career as a substance abuse counselor, most recently serving clients at Stepping Stones in Fall River. Vincent was a devoted son, brother, and parishioner of St. Catherine of Siena Roman Catholic Church. In addition to gardening, he was an avid runner and cyclist; he enjoyed classical arts and music, and was active in historic preservation. He was also very fond of his dog Mollie; they were inseparable. He is survived by his sister, Mary Catherine Topp (Thomas); brothers Charles E. Millard, Jr. (Mary), John F. Millard (Maria Horvath), Daniel J. Millard, Timothy J. Millard (Lisa), and James M. Millard (Kris); as well as nieces Christy Nadalin, Cara Cromwell, MaryElise Topp, Greer Millard, Ella Millard and nephew T.C. Topp. He was an honorary uncle to Nathan, Andrew and Michael Chartier. If friends would like to make a donation in Vincent's memory, to both Stepping Stones, 134 Durfee St., Fall River, MA, 02720, or to Catholic Charities, 1 Cathedral Square, Providence, RI 02903.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/providence/name/vincent-millard-obituary?id=11417481>

## Ryan J. Masi '17

Ryan Joseph Masi passed away tragically on Sunday, September 19th 2021 in Chicago, IL. He was born in Oak Park, IL to Grace and Christopher Masi. Ryan attended Fenwick High School ('15) where he was an IL State Scholar, member of the Math Team, and the National Honor Society. He was also a member of the swim team and had special talents in water polo, contributing to Fenwick's state championship as a sophomore. As a senior, he served as captain of the team. Ryan attended Johns Hopkins University ('19) in Baltimore, MD, where he majored in chemistry and played water polo, helping his team win the



Division III national championship. Ryan was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and was on the Dean's List at JHU. He cherished his friends from high school and college immensely. As a child, Ryan was an effervescent character who loved playing football, reading, riding the ripstick, watching sports, spending time with his family, and witty banter. He was loving, bright, and had a unique perspective as he approached challenges. Ryan worked as a Pharmaceutical Business Analyst at PharmaACE in Princeton, N.J. He loved his job and his colleagues commented on his enthusiasm, work ethic, and engaging personality. Ryan was the loving son of Grace and Christopher Masi and an amazing younger brother to Anthony and Faith. His grandparents are Alfonse and Nancy Masi and (the late) Harold and Muriel Olsen. Ryan was deeply beloved by his 14 aunts and uncles along with his 14 cousins. There will be a public Celebration of Life at Fenwick High School in the coming weeks. To honor Ryan, please direct gifts to Fenwick High School Scholarship Fund, 505 Washington Blvd., Oak Park, IL 60302 and write on the memo line: In memory of Ryan Masi. Or, go to <https://www.fenwickhighschool.org/donate>

[fenwickfriars.com/institutional-advancement/make-a-gift/](https://www.fenwickfriars.com/institutional-advancement/make-a-gift/) and indicate in the comments section: In memory of Ryan Masi.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/atlanta-ga/ryan-masi-10370666>

## Michigan Alpha - Michigan

### Robert K. Hibbs '42

Robert K. Hibbs Mar. 26, 1924 Aug. 26, 2021 Bob was a longtime resident of Novato, California. A member of First Presbyterian Church of Novato, Marin Barber Shop Chorus and SIRS (Seniors in Retirement). Bob had a zest for life and a tireless thirst for knowledge, especially in the areas of religion and politics. He loved his golf games, gardening and singing. Bob was a true gentleman who always had a kind word and smile for everyone. There are no words to convey how much Bob meant to the Williams family. We all miss him and he will have a place in our hearts forever. Betty Williams and the Lusk, Gilmore and McCullough Families. Thank God for Bob!



<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/marinij/name/robert-hibbs-obituary?pid=200147140>

## Michigan Beta - Michigan State

### Thomas D. Nelson '75

Tom Nelson, a highly regarded and successful advertising executive, entrepreneur, and an accomplished musician and songwriter, died on April 3. Tom was raised in Royal Oak, Michigan, on February 6, 1956, the first of five boys born to Don and Liz Nelson. Older brother to Jim, Pat, Rich, and Joe, Tom grew up in a home filled with activity, books, and music. Tom graduated from University of Detroit Jesuit High School in 1974, and completed his degree at Michigan State University in three years, graduating in 1977. Eager to prove that he could make his living as a writer, he went to work shortly after graduation for the D'Arcy MacManus & Masius advertising agency in Bloomfield Hills. It was there that Tom met Lisa Cole, who worked in the media department. Early into their relationship, Tom seized on an opportunity to move to Chicago and work for Ogilvy & Mather. Tom & Lisa were married on May 28, 1983 back home in Michigan. In 1988, Tom was offered a position as a copywriter at Ammirati & Puris in New York City, a prestigious assignment at a rapidly growing agency that was then one of the leading creative forces in the advertising industry. Tom and Lisa moved to Larchmont, New York, where they would raise David (born 1988), Steven (1990), and Sarah (1992). Tom thrived at Ammirati & Puris, rapidly taking on leadership roles on some of the agency's most important accounts, including Aetna, Ameritech, and UPS, for whom he wrote many of the commercials in the award-winning campaign, "UPS. We Run the Tightest Ship in the Shipping Business." In 1993, the agency asked him to open its first international office, and Tom became the Founder, Chairman, and CEO of the agency's extremely successful operation in Toronto, Canada. In



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1996, the agency asked Tom to return to New York City as the Co-Creative Director of Ammirati Puris Lintas, then the ninth largest advertising agency in New York City, where he led the creative work for major advertisers such as Burger King, Compaq Computer, Johnson & Johnson, and Unilever. In 1999, he co-founded and was Creative Director of Gardner Nelson + Partners, Inc., a boutique advertising firm with a short list of blue-chip accounts. The start-up grew rapidly, and within three years it was the agency for Bank One, then the sixth largest bank in the United States. Under his leadership, the agency developed a reputation for sharp, smart, stylish, and particularly effective creative work for clients Thomson Reuters, Garanimals, National Grid, Legg Mason, Cablevision, and Assured Guaranty. Tom and Lisa moved to Mamaroneck shortly after Nelson retired in 2017. In retirement, he embarked on a second career as founder, songwriter, and lead guitarist for the band Heathcote Hill, making five albums and appearing on the sales charts for Americana music. The hallmarks of his work in advertising – powerful concepts, brilliant lyrics, wry humor, and a precision eye for execution, fit, and finish – would blossom as well in his music. A prodigious reader, Tom was particularly fascinated by politics, military history, and biography. Keenly interested in current events and societal trends, his understanding of changing contemporary culture was invaluable in his creative endeavors. Still another outlet for his creativity: a passion for cooking that made him the neighborhood chef of renown. Tom was a devoted father to David, Steven, and Sarah, who carry on family tradition by thriving in their respective creative fields, and he took great pride in their individual accomplishments. Tom and Lisa were married for 37 years. In Tom's memory, in lieu of flowers, please support live music.

<https://jfffh.com/tribute/details/849/Thomas-Nelson/obituary.html>

## Mississippi Alpha - Ole Miss

### Riley J. Gula '14

Riley John Gula, 26, formerly of Mechanicsburg, PA, and Hilton Head Island, SC, died on Monday, August 9, 2021, while living in Richmond, VA. He was the son of Joann M. (Fuchs) Gula of New Cumberland and William P. Gula (wife, Michele R. Gula) of Wormleysburg, born on January 3, 1995 in Harrisburg, PA. Riley went to St. Theresa School in his youth and would attend Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School before moving to South Carolina, where he graduated from Hilton Head Prep (2013). Four years later he would earn his bachelor's degree in Geological



Engineering from the University of Mississippi. This Phi Kappa Psi brother made the most of his Ole Miss education, and he was hired by ConeTec, a contractor specializing in geotechnical investigation and mining services – a job that would send him all over the globe. But long before he was a college graduate or career-oriented, Riley was a prankster with a quick wit, and he delivered a punchline like no other. He enjoyed tormenting his sisters as much as making them laugh, and his peers voted him Coming Home King his senior year at Hilton Head Prep. Boating, skiing and lifting were some of his hobbies, and he was a sponge when it came to sports knowledge. He ran Cross Country at

MASH, and in between sports and school he played video games with his brothers and bonded with the four-legged animals in his life. Who knew that such a picky (and unhealthy) eater as a boy would grow into a talented health-conscious chef. Perhaps it had something to do with his falling out with Papa John's Pizza. Riley was as spontaneous and goofy as he was decisive and entrepreneurial; he went through a phase of prank calling 911, while also taking the initiative to find employment at age 15 (with side hustles all the while). There was no grey area when it came to Riley – he was transparent throughout his all too brief life. His one-liners and sports commentary will be missed, but those closest to him take comfort in knowing that his mortal pains have been relieved. In addition to his parents and step-mother, he is survived by his siblings, Zachary P. Gula, Emily A. Gula, Kaly K. Turkowsky, Alyssa K. Turkowsky and Ben J. Barone; his grandparents, and many aunts, uncles and cousins. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a contribution in Riley's name to NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Illness, PO Box 49104, Baltimore, MD 21297, or at [www.nami.org](http://www.nami.org).

<https://obits.pennlive.com/us/obituaries/pennlive/name/riley-gula-obituary?pid=199781844>

## Missouri Alpha - Missouri

### Curtis C. Williams '47

Curtis "Curt" Carter Williams, 94, of Prairie Village, Kansas passed away on August 21, 2021 at SeniorCare Homes in Overland Park, Kansas. Curt was preceded in death by his



parents, Carter L. Williams, and Moynes S. Williams. He is survived by his son Scott C. Williams, and his daughter Lisa Drake, and his granddaughter Libby Herwig and step-grandson, Connor Drake. He was born June 11, 1927 in Kansas City, Kansas. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, and became President of the chapter in 1950 for one semester and graduated from the University of Missouri

in Economics. His involvement with his fraternity continued through the chapter's housing corporation and was a former President of the local KC Alumni Assn, and later recognized with the KCAA's Phi Psi Man of the Year Award. He was married to Janet Libby for 62 years. Newly married and living on the Country Club Plaza, he worked at Altman Singleton Insurance Company, which later became Sedgwick, as a Vice President. He was a former President of the Independent Insurance Agents of KC and former Vice President of the Missouri Independent Insurance Association. Curt played tennis for years at Homestead Country Club and was also a member of Indian Hills Country Club, Rockhill Tennis Club and the University Club. He and his wife Jan were former presidents of the Midnighter' Dance Club. He was a member of The Village Church, Hillcrest Covenant Church in Prairie Village, Kansas, Covenant Chapel in Leawood, Kansas and then Journey Bible Church. Family was very important to him and he loved being together. Visitation will be held on September 1st at 12:00pm, with a Celebration of Life Service at 1:00pm at Mt. Moriah, Newcomer & Freeman Funeral Home, 10507 Holmes Road, Kansas City, Missouri. Dinner Reception following the service. Donations may be made to his favorite place the YMCA of the Rockies: [ymcarockies.org/Give](http://ymcarockies.org/Give)

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<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/kansascity/name/curtis-williams-obituary?id=6341273>

## **James C. Quinly '50**

James Carlton Quinly passed away on July 19, 2021 at the age of 90 in Dallas, Texas. James was born June 20, 1931, in Kokomo, Indiana to Audrey Deater McKown and David Merrill McKown.



He graduated from University of Missouri in 1952. He met the love of his life, Norma Evelyn Long, at Mizzou and was married to her for 69 years. He graduated from ROTC and joined the Air Force where he served for 4 years as Second Lieutenant. After the Air Force he joined National Gypsum in Joplin, Missouri and stayed through 7 transfers and 35 years. He retired in 1991 in Dallas, Texas as Vice President of

International Operations. He was not the type of person to retire so he started his own company, Pro Export, where he exported building materials around the world for 12 years. James was an avid pilot and snow skier, he enjoyed boating and waterskiing, he was an enthusiastic golfer, and he loved traveling the world. He was best known for his incredible ability to bring out the best in others and always making people smile. He was predeceased by his daughter, Sandra Good, and his brother, John Quinly. James is survived by his beloved wife Norma, Dallas, TX, his sons and their spouses, Steve and Jeanine, Orinda, CA, and Thomas and Rose, Anna Maria, FL, and his 7 grandchildren plus spouses, Katherine Quinly, San Diego, CA, John Quinly, San Diego, CA, Chris & Allison Good, San Francisco, CA, James & Allison Quinly, Leesburg, VA, Niki Good, Costa Mesa, CA, Kelly Quinly, Arlington, VA, and Gina Quinly, Arlington, VA. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The American Heart Association in care of Jim Quinly or use the link <http://www2.heart.org/goto/James-Quinly>

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/dallas-tx/james-quinly-10273804>

## **Samuel M. Sieger '52**

Samuel McCreary Sieger, 85 years old of 2449 Butter Road, Lancaster, PA, died on Friday, November 16th, 2018. Born in Philadelphia, PA he was the son of late Bertha Root and George



McCreary Sieger and brother of Thomas Root Sieger. He was the grandson of late Dr. George Sieger, past minister of the Emanuel Lutheran Church on Walnut Street, Lancaster, PA. He was married to Mary Lessig Sieger for 62 years. Formerly of Springfield, PA his family moved to Webster Groves, Missouri where he graduated from Webster Groves High School. In 1955 he

graduated from the University of Missouri and was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. Sieger was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Air Force and served as a Radar Navigator Bombardier in the Strategic Air Command, where he served for 3 years in Sacramento, CA and Homestead, FL. After his discharge, he joined the sales force of the glass division of the Armstrong Cork Company. He was a Product Manager in Lancaster when his division was sold to Kerr Glass Company and he became District

Sales Manager of the New York Office. He returned to Lancaster with the Woodstream Corporation as Manager of the Ski Division and later as President of the Fishing Division. In 1980 he founded the S.M.S. Agency as a self-employed Sales Representative in the sporting goods field. He was a member of the Highland Presbyterian Church, where over the years he was a Sunday school teacher and trustee. He was an avid reader and closely followed current events and politics. He also enjoyed gardening and traveling. In addition to his wife, Mary, he is survived by one daughter, Kimberly Sieger Jeffreys, Lititz, PA and three sons: Stephen McCreary, husband of Audra Thompson Sieger, Orlando, FL, Christopher Lessig, husband of Kelley Kramer Sieger of Annapolis, MD, and John Charles, husband of Emily Dranov Sieger, Boston, MA. Six grandchildren; Christina, Natalie, Benjamin and Max Sieger, Kathryn and Taylor Jeffreys, three step grandchildren; Alex Bateman, Jonathan Heinze, Elizabeth Blythe, and two great-grandchildren; Jayden Witman and Gracie Telencio.

[https://lancasteronline.com/obituaries/samuel-mccreary-sieger/article\\_bb5b23a2-02a6-5499-9ed8-705681a18670.html](https://lancasteronline.com/obituaries/samuel-mccreary-sieger/article_bb5b23a2-02a6-5499-9ed8-705681a18670.html)

## **William K. Bailey '77**

William "Bill" K. Bailey, 63, passed away July 16, 2021. Bill was born February 9, 1958 in St. Joseph, MO to William B. and Virginia Bailey. Bill received his B.S. from the University of Missouri. Bill was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Jean. Survivors include his wife, Martha J.; a daughter, Kara, son-in-law, Keith; sons, Nick, daughter-in-law, Katie; Tom; Tim; eight grandchildren; sisters, Mary, Patricia, husband Brad, and Marge, husband Gary; brother-in-law, Steve; nephews Andy; Michael.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/kansascity/name/william-bailey-obituary?id=6109674>

## **Brian T. Bondus '10**

Brian Thom Bondus, 31 of Carmel, IN, passed away Friday, August 20, 2021 from anaphylactic shock due to his severe peanut allergy. Brian was born May 24, 1990 in Indianapolis.



He was a 2009 graduate of Carmel High School where he was involved in countless activities. He was a 2013 graduate of the University of Missouri where he studied broadcast journalism. While at Mizzou he was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. Brian was a commercial real estate broker with ALO Property Group. Brian loved what he was doing in real estate and made a large impact in a short time. Previously, he was a

reporter for Fox 59 and CBS 4. He was a member of Cornerstone Lutheran Church and volunteered with Connect Ministries where he shared his love of Jesus with adults with special needs. Brian was an avid golfer, loved all sports and lived life to the fullest every day. One of Brian's proudest moments was achieving his rank of Eagle Scout. He was a founding member of REAL (Real Estate Ascending Leaders) and active in Best Buddies of Indiana. Brian was also a board member of Discovering Broadway and participated in the 2019 Hamilton County Leadership Academy. Brian is survived by his parents; Diane K. Bondus and Thom B. Bondus; sister, Emily A. Bondus (fiancée, Aaron Biehl) and



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aunts Cathy Ressinger of Fishers and Patti (Rick) Connell of Minneapolis. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Best Buddies of Indiana and Discovering Broadway.

<https://www.indystar.com/obituaries/ins125846>

## Nebraska Beta - Creighton

### James A. Edney '68

Dr. James Edney, an Omaha surgeon who was recognized as a top breast cancer specialist in the region, died on Aug. 7 in a tragic plane accident in Victoria, Minnesota. He was 72. Dr. Edney served as a surgeon starting in 1975, at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. Early in his career, he completed a one-year fellowship at the University of Colorado. He treated thousands of cancer patients from Omaha and around the country. He was dedicated to finding new and innovative surgical treatments for breast cancer that were less invasive and made the disease more survivable. He was recognized for academic



contributions to surgical oncology, and was known for his compassionate patient care. He was a native of Omaha, and the oldest of five. Jim and his siblings grew up in Holy Name parish and went to grade school there. He graduated from Creighton Preparatory School, a Catholic high school in Omaha, in 1967. He attended Creighton University, where he joined the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. In 1972, he married Patricia McNamara, with whom he had three children. Michael Edney is a lawyer in Washington, DC, and lives in McLean, Virginia, with his wife Andrea and daughter. Christine Johnson is a realtor and lives in Olathe, Kansas, with her husband Collin and three children. Daniel Edney is a health care professional and lives in Sioux Falls, South Dakota with his wife Tiffany and their two children. In 1992, he married his beloved wife, Deborah, who brought her three children to their lives: Jacob, Joy and Jordan. Joy Mertes-Smith lives in Omaha with her partner Dan Leland and two daughters. Jordan Mertes is a geophysicist who lives in Swansea, Wales. Jim was a devoted father and active grandfather. From his earliest years, he spent wonderful summer days on Lake Miltona in Minnesota. He and his siblings would fish and swim, surrounded by brothers, sisters, mother, grandparents, aunts, uncles and countless cousins. As an adult, Jim and his wife Debbie began to spend their summers on the same lake and would welcome family and friends once the ice went out. Waterskiing, bonfires, fresh corn on the cob and sunset cruises punctuated the days. Jim had a sharp, often acerbic, wit and largely impolitic sense of humor. You could locate his table at any restaurant by following the bursts of laughter. He read several books a week, and had a voracious curiosity about the people that he met and their stories. At UNMC, he was Professor of Surgery, Chief of Surgical Oncology, and led the residency program and the training of scores of surgeons now spread throughout the country. Dr. Edney was elected president of the Southwest Surgical Congress in recognition of his academic contributions to surgical oncology, and also served as the president of the Western Trauma Association. He was a member of the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons. His numerous awards include a Golden Apple Teaching Award from UNMC

surgery resident physicians. He is preceded in death by his younger brother, Joseph Edney and their parents, Mary Jane Edney and John Edney. His stepson Jacob Mertes and Jacob's wife Sara Mertes tragically died in the same accident that took the life of Dr. Edney. Jim is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren, brother Dr. John (Pat) Edney, sisters Mary Lynn (Greg) Schwietz and Dr. Joanne (David) Edney-Coray, and numerous nieces and nephews. A Memorial Service will be held at St. Nicholas Catholic Church of Belle River, Minnesota, on Friday, Aug. 20 at 3 p.m., followed by burial in the church's cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family invites donations to the James Edney Scholarship Fund at Creighton Prep.

<https://www.johnagentleman.com/obituaries/Dr-James-A-Edney?obId=22010496>

## New Jersey Delta - TCNJ

### Michael T. Sot '18

Michael Sot died early Tuesday afternoon, December 4th, 2018. He was just 20 years old. He was born in Livingston, NJ on November 19, 1998 to Candice Buno-Sot and Michael Sot. He graduated from Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, NJ where he was a star baseball player and a member of the National Honor Society. Michael was a sophomore at The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) where he was a Math Major with the aspiration of becoming an actuary. He was a member of The Phi Kappa Psi National Fraternity. Those that knew Michael remember him as an individual that would always put others before himself. He was a trusted and a caring friend to all, and always did the right thing. Michael is survived by his mother, Candice Buno Sot, his father, Michael Edward Sot; younger brothers Jon Sot and Matthew Sot, sister Jessica Sot and step- brother Frankie Fabio; step-mother Jana Fabio; grandparents Jasmin and Tom Buno, and Carolyn and Ed Sot. His many aunts, uncles, and cousins.



<https://obits.nj.com/us/obituaries/starledger/name/michael-sot-obituary?pid=190939821>

## New Mexico Alpha - Eastern New Mexico

### Russell E. Baker '90

Dr. Russell E. Baker of Ruidoso formerly of Hawley, passed away July 27, 2021. A Memorial Service Honoring Russell will be held Friday August 13, 2021 at 3pm at North's Funeral Home located at 242 Orange St. Abilene TX, 79601. Russell was born July 6, 1971 in Abilene, TX to Frances Gibbons and Robert Earl Baker. Russell received his primary education from Hawley public schools, graduating in 1989. After High School he got his Doctors of Education. In His spare time he loved to read. Russell was preceded in death by: father Robert E. Baker. Left to cherish his memories are: mother, Frances Baker Kerr of Abilene, brother Robert Baker and wife Gracie of Hawley, TX, and a host of extended family and many friends. Family Suggests Memorials to: Eastern New Mexico University Success Center c/o



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<https://www.reporternews.com/obituaries/arn021534>

## New York Alpha – Cornell

### Truman B. Brown '56

Truman Beckley Brown, an economics and history teacher for 27 years at Amherst Central High School, died Aug. 18 under hospice care in his Amherst home. He was 83. Born in Plainfield,



N.J., the younger of two children, he was the son of Ernest T. Brown, an architect. His mother, Ruth Beckley Brown, was a homemaker. He attended North Plainfield High School and graduated in 1955 from Blair Academy in Blairstown, N.J. He majored in economics at Cornell University, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He pursued graduate

studies at Cornell after receiving his bachelor's degree in 1959 and earned a doctorate in history from the University at Buffalo in 1985. Known to many as Beck, Dr. Brown primarily taught advanced placement history and economics at Amherst High. After retiring in 1991, he graded papers in advanced placement economics for the College Board and worked as a financial planner. He was the author of "A Teaching Guide to Comparative Economic Systems: U.S.A. – U.S.S.R.," published in 1961, and "The American Historical Association and the Schools: A Study of Condescension and Protection in the Twentieth Century," his doctoral dissertation at UB, which was published in 1985. He was honored in 2012 by the Amherst Central Alumni Foundation, which named him a distinguished educator emeritus. The citation declared: "Beck was a tremendously effective and creative teacher whose sage advice, wisdom, guidance and mentorship inspired several generations of Amherst students." A member of the New York State United Teachers, he also served for a number of years in the Army Reserve. He and his wife, the former Barbara Brady Hassett, a nurse practitioner, were married Aug. 5, 1989, by U.S. District Judge John T. Curtin, a friend of his and a relative of hers through marriage. A sailing enthusiast, he often served as a crew member during races from the Buffalo Canoe Club. "He was a Jersey boy, a lifelong sailor and lover of the sun," his wife said. "Sailboat racing was his passion." He also came to share her passions for tennis and bicycling. They often were seen cycling near their Amherst home and took many bicycle trips overseas, riding through Europe with International Bicycle Tours. After they bought a summer home in Port Colborne, Ont., in 1999, he joined Chorus Niagara, a 100-voice ensemble based in St. Catharines and directed by Robert Cooper, a celebrated choral conductor from Toronto. He served as chairman of the chorus in 2009-2010. "Beck sang all his life," his wife said. "He was in the glee club at Cornell and he sang under Barbara Wagner in the Unitarian Universalist choir (in Buffalo)." In addition to his wife, survivors include Jennifer Wolf, a daughter from his first marriage; his wife's sons, David A. Hassett and Rev. Stephen A. Hassett; and two grandchildren.

[https://buffalonews.com/obituaries/features/truman-beckley-brown-83-teacher-at-amherst-central-high-school/article\\_a9b08498-0b6c-11ec-ad3a-ff09e3ea0889.html](https://buffalonews.com/obituaries/features/truman-beckley-brown-83-teacher-at-amherst-central-high-school/article_a9b08498-0b6c-11ec-ad3a-ff09e3ea0889.html)

### Donald W. Whitaker '56

Don Whitaker, born in Kingston, N.Y. to Raymond "Oat" and Helen Lominska Whitaker, grew up in Saugerties, N.Y. Don attended Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. and graduated with a degree in Civil Engineering and participated in the ROTC Program. After marrying his high school sweetheart, Joan Cotich, in 1961, Don joined the Army at Fort Lewis, WA. and was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in the Corp of Engineers. During this time, he and Joan were blessed with their two daughters, Susan and Nancy. Accepting a position at Procter & Gamble in Cincinnati, OH., Don enjoyed a 30 plus year career involved in manufacturing, operations, sales, and logistics. In 1999 Don and Joan permanently moved to Hilton Head Island, SC. where they retired to enjoy the sun, the ocean and golf. Don had a real passion for sports. Through High School he was an accomplished athlete and later a dedicated youth softball and soccer coach. He had a major impact on girls' sports, coaching Susan and Nancy's softball and soccer teams at a time when opportunities for the girls were rare. In 1995 Don was honored for his athletic prowess by being inducted into his Saugerties H.S. Sports Hall of Fame. He played baseball at Cornell, and as an adult enjoyed racquetball, tennis and then golf in his Hilton Head years. Don was an avid fan of the Cincinnati Reds and Bengals, enjoying trips to Super Bowl and World Series games. He loved horseracing, golf and most recently Clemson football. Don is survived by his loving wife Joan of 59 years; his daughters and sons-in-law, Susan Stopka (Joe), and Nancy Voorhees (Chip); grandchildren Donald Stopka (Stephanie), AnnMarie Stopka, John Stopka, Emma Stopka, MaryAnn Lorts (Ed) and Joey Stopka (Emily); his brother Bob Whitaker (Sharon) and many nieces, nephews and great grandkids. Don will always be remembered for his loyalty and love for his family, the steadfastness of his beliefs and celebrating the milestones in life. His honor and love were the foundation for his family. In life he was the ultimate sports fan and characterized in his playing days as "the ultimate leader". He will always be remembered as the leader of his family team.



<https://theislandfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/204438/Donald-Whitaker/obituary.html>

## New York Gamma – Columbia

### Dominick A. D'Ambrosio '51



Dominick Anthony D'Ambrosio, 86, of Easton, MD formerly of Medford, MA died on Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019 at his residence. Dominick is survived by his sister, Serena D'Ambrosio of Bronx, NY, his son, Stephen Vincent D'Ambrosio, daughter-in-law, Lisa D'Ambrosio and granddaughter Stephanie D'Ambrosio of Lancaster, MA; and his daughter Valerie Rose D'Ambrosio, son-in-law Michael Young and granddaughter Gloria Young of Easton, MD.

<https://www.boldentilghman.com/obituary/Dominick-D'Ambrosio>

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### William L. Owens '49

William L. Owens, 90, passed away on Aug. 8, 2021, fittingly on Hall of Fame weekend. Bill was the son of Russell and Florence (Young) Owens, born in North Canton, Ohio on Nov. 9, 1930.



Bill is survived by his wife, Jean, his high school sweetheart, they were married for 69 years. Also surviving are his children, Paula (Larry) Merten, David (Jeanne) Owens, Scott (Marisa) Owens, and Mark (Kelly) Owens; his grandchildren, Evan (Gina) Merten, Chase (Taylor) Merten, Allison (Mike) Ferguson, Jennifer Wilhelm, Matthew Owens, Clair Owens, Sydney Owens, Jake Owens, and Lily Owens, and four great-grandchildren. Bill graduated from NoCaHi – class of 1948. He lettered in football, basketball, baseball, and track. He was co-captain of the first undefeated football team in NoCaHi history. The basketball team went to State in his senior year. He went on to play football at Colgate University on a full ride scholarship. Bill was team captain in his senior year and was named to the Associated Press All-East team. His college major was Latin, and he was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. Following his graduation in 1952, he joined the United States Marine Corp where he rose to the rank of Captain. There he was trained in the first Marine Under Water Demolition Squad and was captain of the Lejeune Marine Corp football team. Bill was an avid community volunteer, having served as chairman on the Board of the North Canton YMCA. He served as a football coach and league Commissioner for North Canton Youth Football. He was proud to serve on the Hall of Fame committee for 20+ years, last serving as General Chairman. Bill was in Industrial Sales for National Cash Register, the Hannon Electric Company, and Canton Supply, and was the owner of Canton Safety from 1982-1990. He was a charter member of the Stark County Safety Council and received numerous community service awards throughout his lifetime. He was honored to be inducted into the North Canton Alumni Association Hall of Distinction and the Hoover High School Athletic Hall of Fame. For those who wish, memorial donations may be made in Bill's name to Zion United Church of Christ in North Canton.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/cantonrep/name/william-owens-obituary?pid=199783788>

## New York Eta – Buffalo

### Philip E. Mudd '50



Philip E. Mudd, Jr. 89, of Houston passed away Friday July 10, 2020. Philip was born December 21, 1930 in Silex, Missouri, to Philip and Muriel Mudd. He is preceded in death by his parents and son in law Philip Reeves. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Carol, and children Barbara Reeves, Debbie Noriega and husband Larry, David Mudd and wife Linda, Kathryn Wilson and husband Sean, Chris Mudd and wife Mary Jane, Betsy Clark and husband Mike, Jackie Ferguson and husband Jon. Grandchildren Ashley Opp and husband Steve, Holly Shafer and husband Jacob, Emily Reeves, Gregory Reeves, Michael Noriega, Victoria

Noriega, David Noriega, Andrea Mudd, Katie Mudd, Alex Mudd, Colin Wilson and wife Liza, Patrick Wilson and wife Jen, Maggie Ramos and husband Ben, Paige Wilson, Jeffrey Mudd and wife Faren, Mackenzie Mudd, Juliette Mudd, Karenna Mudd, Allison Trevino, Luke Trevino, Megan Ferguson, and Sam Ferguson, and nine great grandchildren. Philip grew up in Silex, Missouri, and at age twelve moved to Buffalo, New York and graduated from South Park High School, and the University of Buffalo, where he earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. After his marriage to Carol Mary Pauly in 1953, he was commissioned in the United States Navy, and was stationed in Sasebo, Japan. After his navy services, he began a career with Union Carbide Corporation in Tonawanda, NY, Pittsburgh, PA, Houston, TX, and New York City, NY. The most important part of life to Phil was his family. As an only child he had always dreamed of having a large family and became the father of seven children. Philip enjoyed family, golf, and world travel. He was a long-time member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church. Phil's life was exemplary for hard work, but was respected for his dedication to family, integral to his strong faith. Phil's devotion to his wife, Carol, is a testament to unending love.

<https://www.dettlingfuneral.com/obituaries/Philip-Mudd-#!/Obituary>

### William H. Hain '52

William H. February 14, 2018. Beloved husband of Patricia A. (Ahern) Hain; loving father of William (Lisa) Hain, Mary Catherine Hain, and Barbara Jean (Jay) Link; dear grandfather of five grandchildren; brother of Harry (Pat) Hain and the late George Hain.

[https://buffalonews.com/obituaries/hain-william-h/article\\_076f9fb3-abdb-5047-bca0-1f6cee9ebba4.html](https://buffalonews.com/obituaries/hain-william-h/article_076f9fb3-abdb-5047-bca0-1f6cee9ebba4.html)

## North Carolina Alpha – Duke

### Velear C. Smith '50

Velear Courtlandt "Cort" Smith II, was born on June 13, 1931 in Charleston, West Virginia and passed away at age 90 on July 27, 2021 at Elmcroft Assisted Living in Hurricane, West Virginia.

An only child, he was preceded in death by his parents Velear C. Smith and Dea M. Smith. He was also preceded in death by his son Collett V. Smith. He is survived by his three children Courtlandt L. Smith (Elizabeth), Christian V. Smith (Jennifer) and Caroline K. Smith. Cort is survived by his four grandchildren Courtlandt L. Smith Jr., Wilson C. Smith, Lauren Claire Smith and Oliver Classen as well as his former spouse and mother of his children Kemp Littlepage McElwee. Cort spent his early years growing up in Charleston primarily in the Edgewood area where he made many lifelong friends. As his father's various business interests became more concentrated in the Putnam County area, they purchased a farm and built a home on the Kanawha River near Winfield that they named Valdeacort Farm. For his high school education, he enrolled at the Culver Military Academy in Culver, Indiana. It was here that he fell in love with horsemanship and began his association





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with the Black Horse Troop. After high school, Cort earned a Bachelor's Degree in Geology from Duke University. Following graduation, he served his country in the United States Air Force as an agent in the Office of Special Investigations. At the conclusion of his active service, he took graduate studies at Lehigh University before returning to West Virginia to join the family businesses. Cort was exposed to all aspects of the natural gas business under the Velear C. Smith Management umbrella. With Teavee Oil & Gas, Inc. and Putnam Natural Gas Company, he was active in drilling gas wells and providing industrial gas service to the various industries in the Nitro area. With Well Service, Inc, he was involved with contract well and cement work for the natural gas industry over a multi-state area. With Union Oil & Gas, Inc, he was involved with providing gas utility service. They also developed several other gas production and utility companies in Ohio during this period. While visiting relatives in Cali, Colombia en route to review a mining venture in Bolivia with his father, Cort seized an opportunity to purchase a used drilling rig and begin a well drilling company to provide water irrigation for sugar cane operations. Over the next years, he primarily lived in Colombia where he was active in polo. After marriage in 1963, he and his family spent the next decades dividing each year by living for several months in Cali, Colombia and the remainder on the farm in Winfield, West Virginia while simultaneously running companies in both countries. Although his business interests were primarily in drilling and natural gas, he was active in either starting or providing investment money to endeavors ranging from an early chain of ice cream parlors in Colombia, hovercrafts capable of being driven on land or water, chicken processing, jet engines, electronic gas measurement, industrial lighting, and computer contractor service. While he engaged in various agricultural endeavors on Valdeacort Farm, hay was always his main focus and its improvement, operation and production remained a priority amongst his many activities. Cort was a founder and served on the Board of Directors of the Teays Valley National Bank from 1973 until it was acquired by Kanawha Banking & Trust in 1984. After it was acquired by United Bank, Inc. in 1987, he served on the Board of Directors of United Bank, Inc. until 2006. He was the 1980 President of the Charleston Rotary Club and long time Parliamentarian on its Planning Committee. He was an active member of the West Virginia Small Public Utility Association and Cosmos Club. Cort was a member of Edgewood Country Club and former member of Downtown Athletic Club in New York City, Club Campestre and Club Colombia Clubs in Cali, Columbia as well as many professional organizations. Throughout his life, Cort was an active traveler. Whether accompanying his father on engineering projects from Nova Scotia to Central and South America or with his mother as a competitive golfer from the Bahamas to Hawaii, it set a pattern which took him to virtually every point on the globe. Although there are too many stories to include, his presence with his former wife Kemp in Prague, Czechoslovakia during the 1968 Russian invasion was indicative of the extent of travel which was a constant throughout his life. In his later years, he returned to his true passion of horsemanship at Culver Academies. Concerned that it might be eliminated for budget reasons, he spearheaded a campaign to save the program by creating an impressive endowment. As an active instructor and staff member of the Culver Summer School program, he spent many years as an unparalleled cheerleader for the equitation and

rough riding programs where he touched the lives of countless campers. Following health setbacks, Cort made his home for the last several years at Elmcroft Assisted Living in Hurricane, WV. While it may have slowed him down, he remained a constant presence on the roads with the assistance of drivers Dean, Keith and Chris. With their invaluable assistance, he was able to stay active with his hay farm, travel on the back roads in search of land to purchase, and even able to make several rewarding trips back to Indiana. During his final illness, the family is deeply appreciative to all of the staff at Elmcroft and in particular Amy, Chris, Jodi, Hattie and Amanda in getting him home and allowing him to spend his final days amongst friends and family.

<https://www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/Velear-Smith-Ij/#!/Obituary>

## Ohio Alpha - Ohio Wesleyan

### John E. Glazier '50



John Everett Glazier was united with his Lord and beloved sons on July 27, 2021, surrounded by family. He was a man of great courage, integrity, selflessness, and strength who lived his



life with honor. He loved his family, friends, and community unconditionally and will be greatly missed. John was born December 25, 1931 in Willoughby, Ohio to Everett H. Glazier (deceased) and Margaret Rood Glazier (deceased). His family eventually moved to Jefferson, Ohio where he graduated from

Jefferson High School in 1949. He attended Ohio Wesleyan College and Bowling Green University

before enlisting in the US Navy. After serving his country, he returned to work for 3 years as a Deputy Sheriff before joining his father's company, Glazier Insurance Agency. While working as a Deputy Sheriff he met the love of his life, Doris McElroy Glazier. Together they had 2 children: Robin Glazier Baker, and Robert John Glazier (deceased). Following the tragic death of Robert, they adopted two other sons Steven Gary Glazier (deceased), and James E. Glazier (deceased). He is survived by his wife Doris, daughter Robin and Jim Baker, sister Mary (Glazier) and Jack Hobbs, grandchildren Joshua/Kyle (Fleming) Baker, Mathew/Mallory (Altier) Baker, Mark/Christie (Leake) Baker and Amy (Baker) and Jason Williams. Collectively they also have 9 great grandchildren, Samatha, Bradley, Everett, Waylon, Benjamin, Madden, Samuel, Emmit and Indie. Besides his service to country and family, John worked hard to give back to the community of Jefferson, Ohio. He spearheaded "Project Fresh", bringing a better football and track facility to the high school. He also donated his time as the "Voice of the Falcons" from 1973 to 2004, was recognized as Alumni of the Year in 1998, Jefferson Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year in 1980, inducted into the Ashtabula County Football Hall of Fame in 2017, a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Jefferson Exchange Club, The Elks, the Jefferson Athletic Boosters, Ashtabula County Big Brother/Sister, and a coach for both Little League and Midget football. Most people don't get the chance to hear stories of people like John Glazier. We have been blessed to not only hear his stories but also be loved by him. We have vowed to not only remember his life but to also pay tribute to it by following his lead in living a life of honor. "To live with honor means to strive to do your best

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in all aspects of your life. It means living with courage, integrity, purpose, and dignity. Above all, to live with honor means to pursue excellence in all that you do, and ultimately, to make the most of your life and time in this world.” A private graveside service will be held at Oakdale Cemetery in Jefferson, Ohio at a later date.

<https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/21840433/john-e-glazier>

## Gene H. Shepherd '52

Gene Haskell Shepherd of Cordova, TN passed away on October 10, 2020. He was born on March 9, 1932 in Handshoe, KY to the late Rou Shepherd and Grace Bailey Shepherd. He graduated



from Lebanon H.S. in Lebanon, Ohio and attended Wesleyan University on a football Scholarship. He loved OWU and Phi Kappa Psi and felt he owed much of his success in the business world to them. He was an entrepreneur from the time he was a boy selling antiques and collectables. and was very knowledgeable of porcelain, pottery silver, vintage clothing, and furniture. As the disease of Alzheimer's

claimed his memory, he was no longer able to remember this and many other aspects of his life. He was a faithful member of Bellevue Baptist Church and loved his many friends there. He loved people, was kind and generous; everyone enjoyed being around his positive attitude and smiling face. He leaves his loving wife of 27 years, Barbara Taylor Shepherd, who shared his love of traveling. One of their favorite places was Hawaii where they spent many vacations. He also leaves his three children: William D. Brewer (Kelly) and Gregory Allan Tallant (Angela). He also leaves behind seven grandchildren: Nicholas Fudge (Mary Moore), Matthew Shepherd, Justin Shepherd, Kristen Shepherd, John A. Shepherd, Jr., Allison Tallant and Sarah Tallant plus four great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Memorial gifts may be sent to The Alzheimer's Foundation or Confidential Care Mobile Ministry.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/dailymemphian/name/gene-shepherd-obituary?pid=196945946>

## Ohio Delta - Ohio State

### Donald L. Buckley Jr. '56

Donald L. Buckley, Jr, age 84, of Upper Arlington, OH passed away on Monday, June 28, 2021 at home surrounded by his family. The son of Donald and Helen (Stephenson) Buckley, he



was born on October 11, 1936 in Columbus, OH and was raised in Jackson, OH. On June 5, 1965 Don married Julianne (Harris) Buckley in Lancaster, OH and together they shared 56 years. He is survived by his wife, Julianne; son, Jeffrey (Mary) of Buffalo, NY; daughter, Beth (Scott) of Canton, GA; sister, Patricia (Bob) of Circleville, OH; seven grandchildren, Abigail,

Kate, Madelyn and Declan of Buffalo, NY and Grace, Matthew and Claire of Canton, GA; nephews, Jeffrey (Chris) of Grove City, OH and Craig (Althea) of Coldwater, MI; nieces, Debbie (Jamie)

of Shelby Township, MI and Trishia (Scott) of Circleville, OH. He is preceded in death by his parents Donald and Helen, infant brother John, sister Peggy, and brother-in-law Bob Steele. After completing most of his college education at The Ohio State University, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. While in the service, Don completed his education and graduated from the University of Nebraska-Omaha. He is also a graduate of the University of Wisconsin's Graduate School of Banking. Don proudly served in the United States Air Force for four years. He was stationed at the Strategic Air Command Headquarters where he served as a Photo Intelligence Interpreter Specialist. He was among the first military personnel to identify Soviet missiles that led to the Cuban Missile Crisis. Upon his discharge from the military, Don returned to Columbus where he worked as a Trade Association Executive until his retirement. Don was a long-time member of the Upper Arlington Lutheran Church and served in various positions especially an usher team leader and a member of a SALT group. He was also a member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. He was an avid Ohio State Buckeyes fan and had season football tickets for 59 years. Don also had basketball season tickets. Don will be greatly missed by many friends. A memorial service will take place at 2pm on Friday, July 23, 2021 at Upper Arlington Lutheran Church, 2300 Lytham Rd, Columbus, OH. A reception will follow the service. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to Central Ohio Diabetes Association, at CODA/Life Care Alliance, 1699 West Mound St., Columbus, OH 43223; or Heartland Hospice, 6500 Busch Boulevard, Suite 210, Columbus, OH 43229. The family would like to thank all of the hospice nurses that took such good care of Don, especially his regular nurse, Meghan. To leave an online condolence, please visit: [www.OhioCremation.org](http://www.OhioCremation.org).

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/dispatch/name/donald-buckley-obituary?pid=199387634>

### Charles M. Moffitt Jr. '60

Chuck Moffitt passed away June 27, 2021. Chuck grew up in the small town of Troy, Ohio. He graduated from Ohio State University and was a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. He



served in the Army, stationed in Colorado Springs with Bee, and upon his discharge, returned to Columbus Chuck charmed all who met him. He was generous to a fault and would always answer "yes" when asked a favor. He gave great advice, although his daughters would consider this advice "lectures" until they were older. He was an amazing story teller, with his hilarious sense of humor and quick wit. As his

son-in-law said, the world is a bit less funny place now. We're going to have to work harder. Chuck delivered papers, worked in a butcher shop, drove an ambulance, worked road crew for the city, washed dishes, was a bouncer for one night in the South Heidelberg bar, but was a salesman for most of his life. Traveling and meeting people was the attraction. New Orleans was a favorite territory where he ate oysters and developed a love for Dixieland Jazz at The Preservation Hall. Chuck loved Ohio State University sports, football most of all. He was who we all called on for stats, recruits, and anything else related to the Buckeyes. He always sported the scarlet and gray, but did add a Texas A&M hat when his granddaughter became an Aggie.

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Chuck was always active in his church, singing in the choir for many years. Music has always been a big part of his life, he played piano and sang from a young age. Chuck was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Bee. Chuck is survived by daughter, Anne (John) Hayes; daughter, Debbie Moffitt (Bryan Gates); grandchildren Caroline and Abby Hayes; sister Mary (John) Hanger and family; and many other nieces and nephews. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 19, 2021 at St. Andrew Catholic Church, 1899 McCoy Rd., with a reception following in the parish hall. In lieu of flowers, please consider a gift to Ohio Health Care Hospice. Arrangements entrusted to SCHOEDINGER NORTHWEST.

<https://www.schoedinger.com/obituaries/Chuck-Moffitt/#!/Obituary>

## Ohio Epsilon – Case Western

### Lee R. Sitler '68

Lee R. Sitler, age 70, passed away unexpectedly at home on March 7th, 2020. He was the son of Robert Leroy Sitler and Margaret R. Sitler born June 7th, 1949 in Beaver, PA. Lee was married to Anita L. (Sartor) Sitler on January 17th, 1976. He was a maintenance supervisor at Kraftmaid Cabinetry in Orwell for fifteen years, retiring in 2014. He worked at Sanborn Wire in Rock Creek, prior to his employment at Kraftmaid. He was a member of Sacred Heart Parish in Rock Creek. Lee had many friends in the surrounding area. He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren. Lee's hobbies included PC repair, birdwatching, target shooting, working with electronics, appliance repair and also designing and building cabinets. He was always willing to lend a helping hand. Lee is survived by his wife, four children; Ericka (Greg) Bierer of NC, Andrea Sitler of Cleveland, Robert (Jennifer) Sitler of Rome, Leann (Geoffrey) Davis of AZ., seven grandchildren; Bryn, Sidney, Corrado, Lee, Nicole, Melissa and Charlotte. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Marilyn Reed-Stolz. A funeral mass officiated by Rev. John P. Madden will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2020, 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, 3049 State Rt. 45, Rock Creek, OH 44084. A private committal of his ashes will take place at a later date. Visitation will be held on Friday, March 13, 2020, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Paine Funeral Home, Inc., 140 E. Main St., Orwell, OH 44076. Condolence may be made at [paineFuneralHome.com](http://paineFuneralHome.com) Please Note – In lieu of flowers you may make memorial contributions to Food For The Poor, [foodforthePoor.org](http://foodforthePoor.org).

<https://www.paineFuneralHome.com/obituary/Lee-Sitler>

## Ohio Zeta – Bowling Green

### Paul L. Gordon '50

Heaven has a new angel, Paul Luther Gordon, Naples, FL, passed away peacefully July 26, 2021 at the age of 91. Paul was born to Marie and Samuel Gordon of Kenton, Ohio, where he grew up before moving to Forest Ohio. He graduated from Forest High School. Paul loved all sports



but was most active in basketball and football, though also participating in drama and band. He graduated from Bowling Green State University with a degree in education. Combining his love of sports and teaching he taught English and coached high school football for several years. Paul, however, was a natural born salesman so he left the educational field to pursue a sales career mainly in St. Louis and Kansas City, MO. He started in pharmaceutical sales and ultimately sold newspaper printing presses throughout the United States and Europe. Paul retired in 1991 but still dabbled in Kansas City real estate sales until his devoted wife Martha Jean retired in 1994. The couple traveled to Europe, the Caribbean and to many St. Louis Cardinal Baseball games. Paul was a huge fan of the Cardinals through both good and bad seasons. Paul and Jean moved to Naples in 2000 to enjoy the sunshine and be closer to their kids. Paul is survived by his wife, Martha Jean Gordon; his two children Michelle Martin and Mike Gordon (Melinda Gordon); by his two grandchildren, Jennifer Martin and Kathryn Lambert (Kevin Lambert) and his great grandchildren, whom he adored, Justin Martin and Emma Lambert. Paul will be greatly missed by all. He had an infectious sense of humor, a welcoming smile and was genuinely a kindhearted man. All of his family loved him. Paul often said his life "was quite a journey", yes indeed it was! In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a local Hospice or Habitat for Humanity.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/naples-fl/paul-gordon-10283721>

### Joseph W. Parks '50

Joseph W. Park's death was reported on September 30, 2021, and no obituary was found.

### Mark A. Davis '76

Mark A. Davis's death was reported on September 1, 2021, and no obituary was found.

### James A. Healy '87

Beloved husband of Erica (nee Dieterich) for 25 years; loving father of Kyle and Alex; dear brother of Maryann (George), Thomas, Patricia (Ken), Joseph (Alicia) and Genevieve (Chad); son of Antoinette M. (nee Desson) and the late Thomas A. Healy; dear son-in-law of Gary and Veda (née Ondo) Dieterich; brother-in-law of Kevin and Lindsay Dieterich; loved and cherished uncle, nephew and cousin of many. Passed away unexpectedly September 3, 2021. Jim was raised in Rocky River, he began his catholic roots at Saint Christopher, and attended Saint Ignatius High School (A.M.D.G.). He continued his education at Bowling Green State University. Jim met the love of his life, Erica and together they formed their beautiful family. Kyle and Alex became their most cherished accomplishments. A true father, son, son-in-law, brother, uncle, nephew, coach and friend. Jim was genuine, empathetic, honest, loyal and dedicated. He was an avid Cleveland sports fan and





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cherished his time with friends. Jim's greatest joy was watching Kyle play soccer and Alex play baseball.

<https://www.mcgorray.com/obituaries/JAMES-A-HEALY?obId=22264600>

## Oklahoma Alpha - Oklahoma

### Craig B. Barnard '70

It is never easy to let go, but on Dec. 22, 2020, at the early age of 69, Craig Bryan Barnard let go of his wife's hand and life here on earth as he took his Lord and Savior's hand and ascended up to Heaven. He was a devoted and loving husband, father and Papa. Craig was born on July 19, 1951, to Bob and Nila Barnard in Okmulgee, OK. He was a University of Oklahoma and Phi Kappa Psi Alumni, where he studied law and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business science. He was a successful and respectable Landman and Manager in the oil and gas industry for over 40 years where he was known for his astute and fair propositions. He was also well-known and respected throughout Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado and Louisiana. He was compassionate in being a mentor, friend and colleague to many. He was known as one of the best negotiators and prided himself on his integrity of being fair. He was an excellent golfer, avid music lover and trivia expert and knew the title of each Andy Griffith black and white episode. His love for the OU Sooners was outweighed only by his love for his wife, family and German Shepherd dogs. He loved his family with all of his heart and still felt that wasn't enough. Craig married the love of his life, Debbie Singleton, on June 6, 1991, and was a wonderful father to his three children and the father he didn't have to be to an additional three. Craig was preceded in eternal life by his father, Bob; his father-in-law, Jim Coker; mother-in-law, Jean Coker; brother-in-law, Eddie Glenn; and German Shepherds, Maximus, Barclay, and Juba. He is survived by his wife, Debbie; sons, Kyle Barnard, Cory Barnard & wife Carrie, Gayrian "Bubba" Singleton and wife Haylee; daughters, Kaylon Reichman & husband Jeremy, Jenny Basham & husband James, and Shawna Singleton; his mother, Nila Barnard; his brother, Gary Barnard & wife Candy; his sister-in-law, Lynette Glenn; grandchildren, Gunnar, Finley, and Nora Reichman; Callee Singleton; William Lichte; Kylee Basham; JW Tillman; Sydney Kaufman; Derek, Gavin, Garrett, Grant, Grace, Danielle, Dillon, and Dakota Loper; great-grandchildren, Bentley Kaufman and Quincy Batchelor; nieces, Stephanie Reed & husband Stefan; Mandy Morrison and children, Jace and Cash; Camille Miller & husband Todd and children, Madison and McKenzie; and his most beloved and loyal German Shepherd friend, Axel.

<https://obits.oklahoman.com/us/obituaries/oklahoman/name/craig-barnard-obituary?pid=197416981>

## Oregon Alpha - Oregon

### James R. Stafford '56

James R. Stafford passed away March 29, 2021. His death was reported August 26, 2021 and no obituary was found.

### Gordon J. Gorsuch '87

Gordon Gorsuch, "the kindest man on Earth," passed away March 25, 2021, after a 16-month battle with brain cancer. He was 52 years old. Born in Boise, Idaho and raised in Salem, Ore., where at the age of 14 he first met and developed a crush on Janelle. Too shy to talk to her then, he got his second chance four years later on the campus of the University of Oregon. After a 4-year courtship, they married in Salem in December of 1989. Gordie and Janelle enjoyed a 5th year at U of O before graduating and moving to Portland. Gordie began his career at Columbia Management Company where he earned his CFA designation. In 2003 he joined Vista Capital Partners as a Lead Financial Advisor. He cherished his clients as if they were



his own family and considered it an honor to able to serve them. He so appreciated Vista's support when he was faced with having to take an extended leave for treatment. A friend to everyone he met, Gordie had some special groups in his life, including his Phi Kappa Psi brothers, his Hood-to-Coast Hoodzilla teammates and the wolf pack of dads in their Eastmoreland neighborhood. They all enjoyed (endured?) his vast library of bad dad jokes and movie quotes. "Shake 'n Bake." He was simply the best dad and committed to his family. Gordie is survived by his first crush and wife of 32 years, Janelle Gorsuch; and their three creative children, Gunnar (23), Beatrice (21) and Gus (17). He also leaves behind his sister, Lisa Gorsuch; his mother, Marlene Gorsuch (Salem); his father, Charles Gorsuch (Sun City, Ariz.); as well as his in-law family, Jeff Stuhr and Peter Kallen, Julie and Tony Robinson, Jennifer and Angelo Smith, Don and Sue Stuhr, and a large number of loving uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces and nephews. Gordie was the biggest fan of those he loved. His support in kind words, enormous hugs, genuine smiles and contagious laughter will be missed by all who knew him. Everyone who knew him understood that Gordie lived to do for others and struggled to accept gifts for himself. In lieu of flowers, the family would prefer that Gordie be honored with donations to two of his favorite charities, The Oregon Food Bank and Habitat for Humanity. A celebration of life will be planned when it is safe to do so, until then we leave you with his favorite toast: "Never lie, steal, cheat, or drink. But if you must lie, lie in the arms of the one you love. If you must steal, steal away from bad company. If you must cheat, cheat death, and if you must drink, drink in the moments that take your breath away."

<https://obits.oregonlive.com/us/obituaries/oregon/name/gordon-gorsuch-obituary?pid=198187789>

## Pennsylvania Beta - Allegheny

### William E. Walker '43



In the early morning of Friday, December 14, 2018, William E. Walker, "Bill," 92, received a call from his Lord and Savior to join him for a reunion with his loved ones in the splendors of heaven. Bill prepared for this day by living his life with dignity and with moral compass that would become his personal trademark. He was a wonderful father, husband, and friend to

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many. Bill departed his earthly life quickly, with little fanfare. He was, like always, prepared. Bill was born to Everett D. and Jeanette F. Walker in Erie, Pa., and had been a lifelong resident of Erie. In 1951, Bill married the beloved Janet Blackmore Walker, who predeceased him in 1993, after 42 years of a wonderful marriage. Bill graduated from Strong Vincent High School, Allegheny College, where he was President of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, and the New York University Graduate School of Business. He served in the U.S. Merchant Marine Cadet Corps – USNR, and in the U.S. Army (Korea). He was the Owner of Erie Burial Case Company and the developer of EBCO Park, Erie’s first light industrial park. He also developed numerous other office and residential properties throughout Erie. Proud of his grandfather’s branding of “Walker Quality,” Bill constantly strived to maintain a business practice of trust, integrity and value, earning him respect from business associates and his tenants. During Bill’s lifetime, he was President of The City Mission and the Manufacturer’s Association of Erie. He served on the Board of Directors of Union Bank, the Boy’s Club of Erie, Advisory Board of Mellon Bank, Trustee of the Greater Erie YMCA, and as a Corporator of Hamot and St. Vincent Hospitals. Bill was a dedicated Rotarian and member of the Young Presidents Organization (YPO). He coined and copyrighted the word “Erie-sistible,” naming a business outing of YPO executives who were gathering in Erie. His sailboat of the same name earned national attention when featured in Yachting magazine. His play on words became known as “Walker-isms.” Bill’s love for the Word of God and his concern for young people led him to be involved with the Gideons as Memorial Bible Chairman. He was Co-founder of Bible Ambassadors Church in Erie, where he was deeply involved in the study of the Bible. Since his youth, Bill was an avid sailor and member at the Erie Yacht Club, founding and mastering a number of different classes of sail boats. His love of championship sailing and yachting resulted in him becoming the youngest-ever Commodore of the Erie Yacht Club in 1958. He served as the longest tenured Past Commodore in the Club’s history. As a boater, he logged many miles traveling with his two sons from Pittsburgh to New Orleans via the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers, and later, he and Janet twice did “the Great Loop,” circling from the Great Lakes to South Florida and the Bahamas and then back up the east coast. Land based, Bill and Janet travelled in 1963 around the world, visiting 22 different countries. Later in life, he often travelled to exotic places with his daughters. Bill stayed active throughout his life enjoying skiing, road rallying, squash, tennis, roller skating, water skiing, ping pong and billiards. He was a pilot, chess player, photographer, and avid reader. He liked discussing politics and economics. He was a gadget junkie. For 20 years, Bill and Janet lived part of the year in Hilton Head, S.C., pursuing their passion for golf. Later, The Villages in Florida became the winter retreat. Bill was universally well-known for his vast collection of golf learning aids, books, tapes, and CDs. He even travelled to Scotland to meet author Mindy Blake, whom he felt had the answer to the hidden secret that would miraculously transform him into a “birdie” machine. He never discovered this elusive secret, but it did not deter him from playing golf right up until the end. For the record, he had one hole-in-one, and described his golf handicap as “not keeping his head down.” Bill is survived by two sons, Everett D. and his wife, Susan, of Erie, and Todd F. and his wife, Kimlyn, of Tampa, Fla.; and

two daughters, Bryn W. Perkins and her husband, Andrew, of Shelburne, Vt., and Jana Walker Spano and her husband, Daniel, of South Lake Tahoe, Calif.; five grandchildren, Jordan and Halle Walker, Skyler and Haley Perkins, and Cole Walker; his brother, Robert D. Walker (Gloria) of Erie; many nieces and nephews; his constant and loving companion of 24 years, Karen Zurn; and longtime employee and devoted friend, Carmen McCall. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Robin Louise; one brother, Dr. James D. Walker of Erie; and two sisters, Harriett “Cherry” Caserta of Miami, Fla., and Jane Fryling of Charlotte, N.C. The Walker family would like to extend a special “thank you” to Rita Bauschard for her many years of Christian fellowship and service to Bill. Thank you also to Patricia North and Kathy Eighmy for making Bill’s recent years fun, easy, and comfortable. In lieu of flowers, consider a random act of kindness for someone who needs a helping hand, or a donation to the Erie City Mission / New Life Center, 1017 French Street, Erie, PA 16501. It’s what Bill would have wanted.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/erietimesnews/name/william-walker-obituary?pid=191030779>

## Archie O. Wallace '54

Archie O. Wallace, 87, of The Colony at St. Paul’s Senior Living Community, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021. He was born on Aug. 4, 1934, in New Brighton, to Oliver R. and Helen (Voorhies) Wallace. Archie was a 1952 graduate of Penn High School; received his B.A. from Allegheny College in 1956, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity; and received his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1959. From 1960 to 1963, he was a staff judge advocate and trial and defense counsel with the Air Force. Upon his honorable discharge from the military, he returned to Greenville to work in private practice, a career that spanned until his retirement in 2015. Archie was a member of the Mercer County Bar Association, serving as president from 1986 to 1987; and was a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and American Bar Association. He had served as an assistant district attorney from 1963 to 1966. Archie was very active in his community and surrounding areas. He was a 50-year member of Greenville Lions Club, a member of F and AM Eureka Lodge #290 and a member of B.P.O.E. #145, where he was awarded Elk of the Year in 2002. He was a founding director of the Northern Mercer County Community Foundation, and served on the board of directors of FNB Corporation from 1993 to 2006; First National Bank of Pennsylvania from 1990 to 2006; and First National Trust Co. from 2000 to 2004. He served on the board of managers of Shenango Valley Cemetery from 1965 to 2002, serving as president from 1983 to 2002. In 2003, he was the recipient of the Louis and Barbara Thiel Distinguished Service Award from Thiel College. He was a longtime member and Elder of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville. Archie’s other interests included duck hunting in Canada, golfing and dancing. Most importantly, he enjoyed spending time with family at his cottage on Pymatuning Lake, playing euchre and gin with his kids and grandkids. On Jan. 20, 1960, he married the former Ellen A. Yeich; she passed away on Nov. 8, 2012. Archie is survived by his four children, Jeff Wallace (Brenda) of Greenville; Susan



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Zurn (Peter) of Erie; Laurie Martin (Tom) of Lancaster; and Dan Wallace (Susan) of Greenville; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; sister, Nancy Lou Wallace; and grandson, Steven V. Wallace. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church 323 Main St. Greenville, PA 16125 or to Shenango River Watchers 730 Forker Blvd. Hermitage, PA 16148.

<https://obituaries.sharonherald.com/obituary/archie-wallace-1083371797>

## Pennsylvania Gamma - Bucknell

### Donald B. Kaiserman '52

Donald Bernard Kaiserman, 88, of Henrico VA, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 25, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents Joseph B. & Anne S. Kaiserman and his sister Shirley Anne Fitzgerald. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Sylvia A. Kaiserman; daughters, Deborah A. Warren (Grant) & Holly K. Cash (Christopher); son, Michael Scott Kaiserman (Heidi); granddaughters, Kathryn A. Warren, Meghan L. Cash, Ana L. Kaiserman & Madison L. Kaiserman. He had a real soft spot throughout the years for his furry paw babies: Chopper, Poppy, Muffin, Tinker, Dundee, Kipper & Brandi. He was a graduate of The Pingry School (NJ), then Bucknell University '55 (PA) and upon graduation joined the Army flying choppers with the 80th Trans Co & 334th USARAL FLT DET at Ft. Riley in Kansas and Ft. Richardson in Alaska where he met his love, Sylvia. He continued in the Reserves and National Guard until retiring as a Colonel from Army USAR TC. His civilian career was in marketing & sales with AT&T, NY Telephone, RCA Computer Systems & Electronic Data Systems (EDS) prior to retiring as Executive Director of International Sales from Periphonics (NY). He was very proud of his affiliations with Phi Kappa Psi, Richmond Area Chapter of Military Officers Association of America (RAC-MOAA), Commonwealth of Virginia Board of Veteran Services (BVS) and Commonwealth of Virginia Joint Leadership Council of Veterans (JLC) and Virginia War Memorial Foundation. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to MOAA Foundation, MOAA Scholarship Fund or Parkinson's Foundation.



<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/richmond-va/donald-kaiserman-10323080>

## Pennsylvania Epsilon - Gettysburg

### Alan R. Keim '57

Alan R. Keim passed away January 28, 2021. His death was reported August 19, 2021 and no obituary was found.

## Pennsylvania Zeta - Dickinson

### Richard D. Fissel '66

Richard David Fissel, a true gentleman, died at home in Newark, Delaware on April 24, 2021 at the age of 73. Richard is survived by his wife Mary Lu (nee Markham); children, Amy



Katherine Osborn of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, Megan Stewart Fissel (Megan) of College Park, Maryland and William Jordan Fissel (Marisa) of Wilmington, Delaware; several cousins, including Melinda Carlson of York, Pennsylvania and Jack Fissel of King of Prussia, Pennsylvania; nephews and a niece; and many friends met throughout his rich and interesting life. He is

preceded in death by his parents, George and Blanche Fissel; his brother, William Robert Fissel; and a number of beloved aunts and uncles. Richard was born on July 24, 1947 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and was adopted as a newborn. He grew up in Williamsport, Pennsylvania and attended The Peddie School. As a child, he spent time with his maternal grandparents and other maternal relatives during summers at the Jersey Shore and significant time with his paternal relatives, including grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins at the family farm in York, Pennsylvania. Later in life, he discovered and met distant birth relatives and even toured the central Pennsylvania farm owned by his birth family. Richard graduated from Dickinson College in 1969 with degrees in economics and political science. During the last decade, he volunteered for his alma mater, including attending college fairs in Delaware as an ambassador for the school. He spent his career in sales and marketing working for companies including H.J. Heinz, Coats and Clark, AdSat and Time Warner Business Services. As part of his profession, he travelled extensively, including to most of the western states, Japan, Hawaii and Alaska. He made friends everywhere he went. While living in Virginia after college, he met Mary Lu Markham at a party and was immediately smitten. He often retold this story, describing Mary Lu as the most beautiful woman he had ever seen (and always adding that she still is). They were both dating other people, but Richard was patient, and upon hearing that Mary Lu was single, he asked her out. They were married in December 1978 in Virginia during an ice storm. Both animal lovers, they had many pets during their 42-year marriage. In 1981, Richard and Mary Lu moved to Costa Mesa, California. Always considering the east coast "home," the family spent many summers visiting family in Pennsylvania, Virginia and North Carolina. They also spent a year in Colorado Springs, Colorado in the late 1990s. The couple relocated to Newark, Delaware in 2013. Richard suffered from Focal Segmental Glomerulosclerosis (FSGS), a rare kidney disease, and received a kidney transplant in 2018. True to his nature, immediately following his diagnosis in 2012, he found a way to become involved with NephCure, an organization focused on finding a cure for FSGS and Nephrotic Syndrome. In 2015, NephCure nominated Richard to be on the Patient and Family Partnership Counsel of the Kidney Health Initiative, where he proudly served for more than 4 years. Beyond his official duties, he was always happy to help newly-diagnosed kidney disease patients navigate treatment options, dialysis and the transplant system. Richard was a devoted father. He supported and encouraged Megan and William as they developed



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into adulthood, and he was so happy when Amy came back into his life. He genuinely enjoyed his relationships with his adult children and was also close to their partners and friends. Marisa Terranova Fissel and Amylia Sabin-Reed both loved him like a father and like his children, are profoundly affected by his passing. In addition to extensive travel for work, in connection with his kidney advocacy and to visit family, there were vacations with Mary Lu, Megan and Jordan to Hawaii and a trip with Mary Lu to Japan in the 1980s. He never missed an opportunity, understanding that it may not come around again. He travelled to Las Vegas with his daughter-in-law, Marisa, in January 2019, despite terrible back pain. He was at The Borgata in Atlantic City when the casinos were closed in March 2020. He loved casinos, in part, because he loved to be around other people, and he made many trips to Las Vegas and Atlantic City. In defiance of his failing health, he went to Key West, Florida in February 2021 with his friends, Nancy Cooper and Sari Salkin, and his daughter, Amy. He was grateful to his friends Jon Cooper and Michael Luftman for enabling him to realize that travel bucket list item. Richard will be remembered for his driving, which was even faster when he escaped the traffic of southern California and will not be terribly missed by his loved ones. Despite the fast driving, he was never on time for anything. More importantly, his friends and family will remember him for his absolute kindness. He never had a negative word to say about anyone and would do anything he could for others (be they friend or stranger). He was an incredible storyteller and had an interesting life to share. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to NephCure (nephcure.org).

<https://www.blileys.com/obituaries/Richard-David-Fissel?obId=20893775>

## Pennsylvania Kappa - Swarthmore

### Frank G. Lockhart '44

Frank Grauch Lockhart was born on March 1, 1926 to George Lockhart, Jr. and Helen Grauch Lockhart in Frankford, Philadelphia, PA. He graduated from Frankford High School in January, 1944 and he was the center and captain on the school football team when it won the city championship in 1943. He enlisted as a Navy V-12 to study engineering, spending a year each at Duke, Drexel and then Swarthmore Colleges. He married Elizabeth Veronica Aff on July 28, 1945 and they had four children: William G. (Mary Rosaire), Nancy Marie (Robert Chonko), James Alexander (Kumi), and Suzanne Louise (Ed Snizek). In 1987 he married Marie Jane (Buchovecky) Loesch, in which transaction he inherited five sons and another daughter: Jack Shane (Susann), James Michael (Kathy), Gregg C., Kim A., Kerry B., and Lee Marie (Tim Donahue). Altogether this blended family consists of 10 children, 19 grandchildren, and 27 great-grans. Frank was an entrepreneur, starting the family sand and gravel business (Lockhart, Inc.) after succeeding his former boss in the refractory clay supply business. He went into partnership with his friend Harry J. Steigelman to found Red-D-Mix Concrete Co., and he incorporated as Lockhart Associates. Lockhart Sand Co., Inc. was founded in 1971 in the NJ Pinelands to supply state specification sand for concrete and



asphalt companies in south Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania. In the early 70s he joined with the Liberty Corporation, a major aggregates corporation in the Philadelphia market, becoming its president and CEO, and the Sand Co. became a part of the Liberty family. He retired to Marco Island, Florida where he met and married Marie in 1987. After Lee and Tim Donahue moved to La Crosse they convinced Frank and Marie that they, too, should relocate to the four-season climate of the great white north, where Lee and Tim (and Mighty Mayo team) could help care for Marie's health needs and eventually for Frank's, too. Frank was devoted to Marie and he exercised a great deal of care for her, as did the Donahue's, who returned Frank's devotion by caring for him after Marie passed away in December, 2011. One of Frank's favorite accomplishments was earning a membership at the Riverton Country Club in Riverton, NJ, where the family lived from 1947 until he moved to Florida. He was Mayor of Riverton in 1970, then he became a member of the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders in 1971. He was also proud to be a member of the Pine Valley Golf Club in Pine Valley, NJ. He loved to play golf, watch golf, talk about golf...golf was his passion and his pleasure. He shot four holes-in-one over the course of his career. He loved singing in the Church choir in Riverton, and he loved Christ Episcopal Church in La Crosse. He had deep feelings of affection and camaraderie for many of his friends and companions there, and a deep relationship with Jesus Christ which he treasured in his heart. He looked forward with great anticipation to seeing life "on the other side," as his brother George has expressed it, and he had no fear of dying as he regarded death as a gateway to a better life, a life everlasting with his God and Savior Jesus Christ. He was eager to join his Mother and Father, his little sister Helen and his best friend, his older brother Dr. George Lockhart III, who preceded him in his journey in 1998. So we say farewell to our Dad, Pop, Pop Pop (Pop), and Pappy, who loved us and gave us all a wonderful example of what a good, kind and generous father should be. We love you as you have loved us, and you loved us as Jesus has loved you. John1:12, John 11:23-26.

<https://couleecremation.com/frank-g-lockhart/>

## Pennsylvania Lambda - Penn State

### Oscar A. Schmitt '48

Dr. Oscar A. Schmitt, age 92 passed away at his home on February 20, 2021 surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Erie on April 2, 1928, son of the late Leo and Leona Schmitt.



Oscar graduated from Academy High School, class of 1946, where he met his sweetheart and future wife Jeanne Anderson. He attended Penn State University and was an active member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity followed by the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. Oscar and Jeanne were married in St. Patrick's Church and had a wonderful marriage for almost 70 years. They were true life partners.

He proudly served in the US Navy on board the USS Fremont for 2 years followed by 19 years in the US Naval Reserves. He was a founding partner of Plaza Dental in Erie and enjoyed practicing dentistry for over 50 years. His patients along with the staff became a key part of his professional and social circles.

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Many will remember receiving one of his signature “press apply roses” after a dental visit. His roses are still seen when out and about in greater Erie and never fail to bring a smile. Oscar was simply a joy to be around. His character was founded on authentic goodness and kindness that was truly genuine without expectation. His daily life was one of giving and helping others in need. With each passing day we realize more and more that our dad touched countless lives with his contagious attitude of positivity and Fruit of the Holy Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. A navy colleague of Oscar’s who became a 3-star admiral and commander of the US Seventh Fleet, said that Oscar was the most optimistic person he had ever met. He served as an active member of St. Paul’s Free Clinic as well as a volunteer at the Pennsylvania Soldiers and Sailors Home. Oscar was also a lifetime member of the Erie Maennerchor Club, the site of many family gatherings and was often seen enjoying Sunday brunch. Oscar was a founding member of St. Luke’s Parish where he was actively involved in organized Scouting for many years. He was most recently a member of St. Julia’s Church. Outdoor fishing with family, friends and neighbors was one of his favorite activities. He would have a twinkle in his eye as he often reminisced about his fishing trips to Canada with Gilbert and Ron Steg with many laughs, good cigars and an “occasional” Crown Black or scotch. Oscar also immensely enjoyed crafting with cut glass. His best work included stained glass windows and wall hangings, many of which can be seen in the homes and businesses of both family and friends. He was an active member of The Glass Stop Art Glass Studio in Erie and considered Steve and Sue Konzal as wonderful teachers and good friends. Many thanks to our family: Joe and Karen Meyn; Kay DiGello; Yuriy and Jessica Perederiy; Frank and Kay Karle; the staff at Plaza Dental and many others. Each of you were an important part of Oscar’s life. We would like to thank Oscar’s “personal” medical team to which he said rivaled the team for the late President George HW Bush. This includes Warren Beaver, Carmine D’Amico, Dave Seastone, Zdzislaw Chorazy, Sidney Lipman, Marlene White, Gary Esper, Howard Levin and Dave Dieteman. Special thanks also to Encompass Health (Doug Grieser) and especially to Dr. Gieger and Great Lakes UPMC Hospice (caregivers Tom, Christina, Laurie, Casey, Kathleen and James). We could not have provided Oscar the quality care without you. Oscar is survived by his loving wife Jeanne; 3 sons: Michael (Mary Ellen); Christopher (Kealani), their children Leila and Skyler; Patrick (Sandi) and their son, Bach; step grandson Luca Winters (Rheanna), their children Stella, Luca and Otto. Oscar’s grandchildren, to whom he was “Papa Osky,” were all very special to him! In addition to his parents, Oscar was preceded in death by his brother, Joseph Schmitt and his sister, Rosemary Dailey. We feel so blessed that our father took the time to experience life with us. The fond memories we will forever cherish of fishing, water skiing, river rafting, Boy Scout adventures, singing German songs & playing Crazy Eights are gifts etched in our minds. Thank you, Dad, for running the race as a true champion! In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Community Health Net (CHN), 1202 State St., Erie, PA 16501. CHN helps provide excellent healthcare at multiple locations to all area residents regardless of a patient’s ability to pay.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/oscar-schmitt-obituary?id=6520770>

## **Terry G. Bechakas '53**

Terry Gus Bechakas of Williamsville, entered into rest on June 4, 2021, at the age of 88 due to complications of Alzheimer’s Disease. He is survived by his cherished wife of 51 years



Erasmia (nee Revelas), dearest sisters Suzanna (John) Hastas, Becky (Harry) Pappas, nieces Cynthia (Michael) Morris, Christina Pappas and nephew John (Catharine) Pappas, plus several grand nieces, nephews and godchildren. He served in the Navy after graduating from Penn State University in Hotel Management. He also received graduate credits from Cornell University’s School of Hotel Management.

His professional career began with management positions for the Hilton Corporation. He then was recruited by Restaurant Associates of NY City where he worked at The Four Seasons and Tower Suites. He was the rare non-European trained staff hired by the corporation. Terry returned to Buffalo to purchase the Hourglass Restaurant in Kenmore, NY which he owned for 38 years prior to retiring. He succeeded in making it one of the finest restaurants in WNY, building a 10,000-bottle wine cellar unrivaled in its depth and range. Always a gracious host, he enjoyed pleasing his customers with fine dining and his vast knowledge of wines. Terry enjoyed photography, cycling, skiing and driving his sports cars. Terry was a member of the prestigious Chaine des Rotisseurs. He was also a 32nd Degree Mason F.A.M. and was a member of its affiliated Jesters.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/buffalonews/name/terry-bechakas-obituary?id=5741266>

## **Pennsylvania Nu - IUP**

### **Rodney A. Bullman '80**

Rodney A. Bullman, 61 of Franklin, Pennsylvania, passed away Wednesday Aug 18, 2021 at UPMC Northwest due to complications from COVID-19. Born Oct 13, 1959, in



Franklin, he was a son of William H. Bullman and Sarah J. “Sallie” Bullman. Mr. Bullman graduated from Franklin High School in ‘78 and Indiana University of Pennsylvania in ‘83 with a Bachelor’s of Science in Business Administration. He worked primarily as an Investigative Case Reviewer with national defense contractor CACI and with the Venango

Training and Development Center as a procurement and sales director. Rodney proudly served as a leader in his community. He belonged to the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, and the Franklin Elks Club for five years. Additionally, he was on the Board of Directors for the Galaxy Federal Credit Union since ‘96, volunteered with United Way for 9 years and showcased exemplary devotion to others as a member of Franklin Rotary Club for 14 years, being recognized with the Paul Harris Fellowship award in ‘03 and serving as president for the organization from ‘96 to ‘97. He also supported local business as a Trailblazer for Trails to Ales, where he would frequently enjoy company and laughter with his friends and family. Surviving is his son Justin Bullman, daughter in-law Stephanie Bullman and his grandson Holden Bullman. Additionally surviving is his companion, Kim Burkett of Franklin, her daughter Ashley Baughman of Franklin and two

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grandchildren Ryder and Maddison. Also surviving is his loyal friend, Golden Retriever named "Sally" in remembrance of his mother. He is also survived by two brothers, his twin Robyn Bullman of Cambridge Springs, Randy Bullman of Macungie; and his sister, Mrs. Jerry (Renie "Cookie") Skalko of East Springfield and four nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the charity of your choice.

<https://explorevenango.com/rodney-a-bullman/>

## Pennsylvania Upsilon - Drexel

### Lars C. Hunt '13

Lars Christian Hunt, 25, of Coshohocken, Pennsylvania, died August 4, 2019.

## Texas Alpha - Texas

### Harold B. Hanes '49

Harold B. Hanes's death was reported on September 22, 2021, and no obituary was found.

## Texas Beta - Texas Tech

### Donald A. Wilson '62

Don was born in Waxahachie, at the W.C. Tenery Sanitarium, on February 9, 1941 to Robert O. Wilson, Jr. and Elsie Aday Wilson. He graduated from Waxahachie High School in 1959.



After attending Navarro College, Don obtained his Bachelor of Business Administration in International Trade from Texas Technical College (now Texas Tech University) in 1964. After college, Don went to work as a milk truck driver for Foremost Dairy, then Southland Corporation, where he quickly rose through the ranks to manage the company's nationwide dairy and ice plants. He was passionate about

his participation in the Private Truck Council of America, a professional organization which, at one point, he led as President. In that capacity he represented the interests of the Milk Industry Foundation and the International Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers before committees of Congress as well as advisory panels of the Department of Energy and the Department of Transportation. One of the high points of Don's career was being invited to Washington, D.C. to witness President Reagan sign into law a bill that benefited the trucking industry. Don continued his career in management, transportation, and logistics with Citgo Petroleum after its purchase by the Southland Corporation. There he became the fleet and distribution manager for the Citgo downstream wholesale marketing division. After Don left Citgo, he briefly worked for Morningstar Dairy before striking out on his own. For several years he provided industry consulting services, and he produced the international Dairy Distribution Conference. During that phase of his career, he was most excited about his participation in the United States Department of Agriculture Emerging Democracies program. Through that program he

assisted fledgling industries in former Soviet republics. He made many new friends in his travels to Bulgaria, Kyrgyzstan, and Kazakhstan. The family will always remember the unique souvenirs he brought home from those travels. Don also loved being involved with the Waxahachie community. He was a longtime member of the Waxahachie Rotary Club. For more than twenty years, he was a tireless workhorse for the group's annual Cow Creek Classic bike rally, which attracted hundreds of bicyclists to Waxahachie. He took great pride in coordinating, mapping, and marking the routes for the event. Another community passion for Don was the Dinah Weable Breast Cancer Survivor's luncheon. He loved the smiles that the event brought to the love of his life, Diann, who is a three-time cancer survivor. Don was also tremendously proud of his longtime service to the Republican Party in Ellis County, which started in the 1960s. In his spare time, Don loved gardening, Texas Tech football and basketball, and dove hunting with his sons. Don is survived by his wife, Diann, two sons, Rob and Patrick, a sister, Deana Evans, daughters-in-law Kristen and Becky. He is also survived by four well-loved grandchildren, Peri, Rees, Oliver and Henry. The family is asking that, in lieu of flowers, contributions be made in Don's name to the Dinah Weable Breast Cancer Survivor's Foundation, P.O. Box U, Waxahachie, TX 75165.

<https://memorials.bozemitchellmckibbin.com/don-wilson/4290566/>

## Virginia Alpha - Virginia

### Alphonso L. Ivey '47

Alphonso Lynn Ivey, Jr., 91, of Richmond, departed this life Wednesday, May 11, 2016. He was preceded in death by his father, Alphonso Lynn Ivey and mother, Elizabeth Hall Ivey; sisters



Louise Ivey Wilson and Virginia Ivey Prest. He is survived by his sons, A. Lynn Ivey, III and William Ready Ivey (Jane); and grandchildren Virginia Ivey Booth (Daniel), Ashton Lynn (Beth), Douglas Ready, Laura Ellen and Daniel Bowman, two nephews and a niece. Born in Richmond, he attended St. Christopher's School and later the University of Virginia, where he earned his B.S. in Commerce. He served as a

Sergeant in the U.S. Army during World War II, in the 9th Air Force as a tail gunner on a B-26 bomber ("Flak-Bait"). He worked in sales most of his life, traveling around Virginia and the Carolinas. He loved big band music, hunting and fishing with his family and friends, and creative approaches to problem solving. He was always willing to listen to strangers and offer friendly, helpful, advice. He served as an Assistant Scout Master of troop 718. In his 70's, he served on the board of directors of the Senior Center of Richmond. Burial will be private. A memorial service will be held at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 6001 Grove Ave., at 2:00PM, Friday, June 10, 2016. His family wishes to thank the staff at Beth Shalom Home, which showed him support and loving care in the past few years. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Richmond Fisher House Foundation, C/O Mr. Bret Wilkinson, EIN 27-3852276, 300 Arboretum Place, Suite 660 Richmond, VA 23236.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/richmond-va/alphonso-ivey-6927109>



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## Washington Alpha - Washington

### Richard D. Margerum '41

Richard D. Margerum - Sparks - Born June 17, 1920 in Lewellen Garden County, Nebraska. Died September 10, 2018 at Morning Star Assisted Living Facility Sparks, Nevada. Richard Darrell



Margerum was born to Richard Monroe Margerum and Jessie Ann Stolcup in Lewellen, Nebraska on June 17, 1920. He was the youngest of three children and the only son. Dick said, "I was an energetic, obnoxious little guy in grade school, always ready to defend myself." One of his mottos was never start a fight but always be ready win to it. When a bully picked on him on

the way home from school, he took the kid's cap and threw it in a sewage ditch. He was spanked at school after the boy's mother reported it. Swimming was always an important part of Dick's life. He was attracted to water and learned to swim in Lake Wiltona, Minnesota where at age 5 or 6 he was thrown from a fishing boat into the lake and told to swim to shore. He survived and after they couldn't keep him out of the water. He began competing on the high school swim team and won a scholarship to the University of Washington. He swam for the University of Washington and continued to compete through 1998 when he won two first place medals, one second place medal and two third place medals as a Senior Master Swimmer in the National United States Masters' Swim Championships in Indianapolis, Indiana May, 1998. His family enjoyed the fact that he swam across Lake Tahoe with his team at about the same age. He said it was a little cold. In January 1942, Dick received a notice from the Draft Board. He attempted to enlist in the Army, Navy, and the Marines. All declared him 4F due to his poor eyesight, so he decided to volunteer for the draft thinking he would be denied again and could return to school. The answer was "No, you're in the Army," and Dick didn't see home for three years. After basic training he was sent to Scotland and England for further training as a Medical Aid to the Commandos. Dick was sent to Africa and served in the European-African-Mediterranean Theater as an Aid to Army Corp Headquarters under Generals Key, Patton, and Bradley. His claim to fame was that he got to swim in Mussolini's pool. In 1945 Dick was discharged from service and received the Good Conduct Medal. He returned to The University of Washington and married his sweetheart Barbara Jean Rich in 1945. They were married for almost 73 years. Dick graduated from University of Washington in 1947 with a degree in Accounting and received his Certified Public Accounting Certificate in 1952. Dick and Jean began their family in 1947 when daughter Jo Anne was born. Son, Michael Charles was born in 1948, and son, Richard Darrell Jr. was born in 1956. The family moved to Elko, Nevada where he was Secretary-Treasurer of the Stockman's Hotel from 1952 to 1957. The family moved to Reno, Nevada where Dick was Secretary-Treasurer of Holiday Hotel, Inc from 1957 to 1962. From 1962 to 1964 Dick was an Agent with the Internal Revenue Service in Reno, Nevada. After receiving his reciprocity certificate from the Nevada Society of Certified Public Accountants, he partnered with the firm of Frank, Isola, and Margerum (1964-1975). He was a sole practitioner from 1975 to 1985. Dick retired in 1998 from Accounting. He and Barbara Jean moved to Cosmopolis, Washington in 1990 where he could go salmon fishing, play golf,

(Jean always won), refinish furniture, and continue swimming. They returned to Nevada in 1997 and lived in Carson City. Even though he had a gruff demeanor he was big hearted. He enjoyed helping others, especially those less fortunate, new Immigrants, and ethnic groups. He learned to love the Basque people and culture while living in Elko and a highlight of his life was traveling to Spain to meet the families of friends in the US and see the Pyrenees Mountains. He spoke Spanish-Italian-Basque (all mixed up). Masonry was important to Dick and he was a Lifetime Member of Kerak Temple and Scottish Rite. Dick is predeceased by his parents, his son Richie (1965), and his wife Barbara Jean (May 8, 2018). He is survived by his children, JoAnne ( Daniel E) Lediard, and Michael C. (Donna) Margerum. He has 4 grandchildren, Daniel C. Lediard (Sarah Stewart-Lediard), Matthew P. Lediard (Candi Pursel-Lediard), Elizabeth L. Margerum (Ricco Schneider), and Mark A. Lediard (Crystal Lediard) and 8 great-grandchildren, Chase Weatherington, Matthew Lediard Jr., Ryder Sefcheck, Melinda Lediard, Ashby Sefcheck, Nina Jean Schneider, Ashley Lediard, and Cole Lediard. The family thanks Dr. Fiore and staff, Dr Platt and staff, the Caregivers at Morning Star, St. Mary's Hospice (especially Soleil, RN), and caregivers Autumn and Lisa from Right at Home for all their care and concern for our father. A joint Celebration of Life for Barbara Jean and Richard Darrell will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Sparks, Nevada 1135 12th Avenue (behind the Sparks Library) Monday, September 24th, at 6:30pm with a short reception to follow. Burial will be Thursday, September 27th at 10 am at the Masonic Gardens in the Mountain View Cemetery 437 Stoker Ave. Reno, Nevada.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/rgj/name/richard-margerum-obituary?pid=190286311>



### Harold W. Hoggatt '55

Harold Wayne Hoggatt, age 85, of Sun City West, Arizona. Passed on at his residence on Friday, December 4, 2020. He was born in Kansas City, Missouri on September 18, 1935 to Harold and Mamie Hoggatt. Harold is survived by his wife and children. He will be placed with his pre deceased wife Roma, at Sunland Memorial Park

and Cemetery in Sun City.

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/sun-city-az/harold-hoggatt-9932840>

### Steven P. Thronsen '63

Mr. Steve Thronsen passed peacefully August 21, 2021, surrounded by the love of his family and friends. He was born June 27, 1944 to Paul and June Thronsen in Seattle, WA. Steve graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1962 and went on to study at the University of Washington, graduating in 1966. After college, Steve went on to serve his country as an officer in the Vietnam War. Steve worked at Kenworth Trucking and Paccar for over 30 years. Steve was able to retire in La Conner, WA with his wife and pursue his dream of living a peaceful life on the water. Steve will be remembered as a kind and generous man.

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He loved his family unconditionally and sought to provide them with the tools necessary to succeed in life. Steve will be greatly missed but never forgotten. Steve is survived by his wife, Diana; step son, Michael Garrett (Tanya), their children, Kendra, Jordyn and Kyle; granddaughter, Taylor Herbert; sister, Carol Engles (Jon), their daughters, Susan (Paul Brengle), and Kristin (Craig Lockwood); great nephew, Cale Brengle; and great nieces, Urielle and Olivia Lockwood.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/skagitvalleyherald/name/steve-thronsen-obituary?pid=199963272>

## West Virginia Alpha - West Virginia

### Harold J. Shamberger '46

Harold J. (Hal) Shamberger, 99, of Morgantown, WV., loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather passed away after a short illness at Ruby Memorial Hospital on October



22, 2020. He was born in Garfield, NJ, the son of the late Rudolph and Christina Shamberger. He is survived by Helen, his wife of 73 years. They were married in the home of her parents, Lewis and Elizabeth Loar in Laurel Point. They have four children: Diane Puckett (Arnold) of Alabama, David (Jill) of Maryland; Thomas (Martha) of Morgantown, and Anne Marshall of Florida. Grandchildren are: Jennifer Puckett,

Suzanne High (Jeff), Steven (Sarah May), Holly Puckett, Logan Shamberger, Caroline Shamberger, and Charlie Marshall. Great grandchildren are Christopher and Nicolas High, Jack Shamberger, and Dylan May. A sister, Grace Huber of Las Vegas, Nevada, preceded him in death. Following his graduation from Garfield High School in 1939, Mr. Shamberger enlisted in the United States Navy as an apprentice seaman and served until 1946, when he was released from active duty as a Lieutenant (junior grade). During his naval service he served aboard the USS McCALLA (DD253) a WWI destroyer, one of the 50 four-piper destroyers transferred to the British Navy in 1940. Next, he served for two and a half years on board the USS FLICKER (AM70), a minesweeper on the East Coast of the US, Bermuda, and Brazil; the USS WHITTER (DE636) a destroyer escort in the Pacific, and a transport, the USS HERALD OF THE MORNING (AP173) in the Pacific where he became a shipmate of David Jacobs, former longtime Secretary of the WVU Alumni Association. Prior to his service in the Pacific, he was an instructor at the yeoman school of the Submarine Chaser Training Center in Miami, FL where he was promoted to Chief Yeoman. Six months later he was commissioned an Ensign in the regular navy upon the recommendation of the commanding officer of the USS FLICKER. As a commissioned officer, he served in the Pacific as a boat officer, as assistant to the executive officer, a division officer and ship's writer on the HERALD OF THE MORNING. He was qualified watch officer on a vessel underway. He was awarded battle stars for participation in the amphibious landings at Leyte Gulf and Lingayen Gulf in the Philippine Islands, at Palau, Ulithi and Iwo Jima. Following his release from active duty, his former shipmate Dave Jacobs encouraged him to attend WVU, where he was awarded a BA in Political Science in 1948. He attended Wayne State University on a Volker Fellowship, earning a

master's degree in Public Administration in 1950. He returned to West Virginia University as a research assistant in the newly created Bureau for Government Research in the Department of Political Science. During the next six years he published several reports on West Virginia state and local government including The Tax Limitation amendment in West Virginia, County Government and Administration in West Virginia, Intergovernmental Relations in West Virginia as well as articles in the national publications The National Municipal Review and County Officer Magazine. He taught classes in American State and Local Government and American Municipal Government. During 1954-55 he was the Executive Director of the West Virginia League of Municipalities and editor-publisher of the West Virginia Municipality magazine. In 1954 he wrote the charter for the city of Princeton, West Virginia and worked as an advisor to municipalities throughout the State. From 1955-60 he was a staff member of the New Jersey Manufacturers Association in Trenton serving as secretary to the Committee on Taxation. He maintained active liaison with NJ Legislature members and testified before the Legislative Committee on Taxation, the NJ Air Pollution Control Commission and the US Select Committee on Small Business. He was vice president of the New Jersey Industrial Development Association and a member of Local advisory committees in Trenton on landfill garbage disposal and public transportation. In 1960, President Elvis Stahr, Jr. appointed him to the newly established position of Assistant to the President of WVU, which he held until 1981. He served as assistant to Stahr, to Acting President Clyde L Colson, and to Presidents Paul Miller, James Harlow, Gene Budig and Harry Heflin. In 1977, the West Virginia Board of Regents appointed him Interim President of West Virginia University following the retirement of James Harlow, prior to the arrival of Gene Budig. From 1964 to 1967 in addition to his regular duties, he served also as Acting Director of University Relations and was the Executive Officer of the University under Gene Budig. He was a tenured assistant professor of political science and a member of the Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity and Mountain, the ranking men's honorary. In 1982 he was appointed Associate Director of WVU Hospital and that same year departed for Fayetteville, Arkansas, to become the Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration of the University of Arkansas. In Morgantown, Mr. Shamberger was active in several community and service activities. He has served as Chairman of the Committee on Finance, a member of the Administrative Board and the Board of Trustees of the Wesley United Methodist Church. He was past president of the Morgantown Kiwanis Club, past president of the Monongalia Opportunity Council, a member and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Automobile Club of Northern West Virginia and President of the West Virginia State Association of the American Automobile Association. He was a past president of the United Way of Monongalia County, a member of its Board of Directors from 1962 to 1980, Chairman of the Committee on Membership and Allocations, and General Campaign Chairman in 1980. He is a member of the Pines Country Club where he enjoyed playing golf following his retirement. More recently he resided, with Helen, "tolerably well", at the Village at Heritage Point. A private graveside service was held at East Oak Grove Cemetery with Dr. Randall Flanagan, Pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church presiding and military honors. A special thank you to

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the staff at the Suites and the Village of Heritage Point. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to: WV History Center PO Box 6069 Morgantown WV 26506 memo line WVU Collection or Wesley United Methodist Church 503 N High Street Morgantown, WV 26501, or the charity of your choice.

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## **George C. Hughes '62**

George Charles Hughes, III, "Charlie", age 81, a resident of Glen Dale, WV died Wednesday, December 9, 2020 in Mound View-Stonerise Health Care Center, Moundsville. He was born November 25, 1939 in Moundsville, the son of the late George Charles, II "Chauncey" and Dorothy Mudge Hughes. Charlie was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, where he served as a member of the Vestry and a licensed Lay reader. He graduated from Moundsville High School in 1957, and the same year, received an appointment from then Congressman, Arch A. Moore, Jr. to the Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, NY, where he graduated in 1961 Summa Cum Laude. He then attended West Virginia University College of Law, where he was an honor's graduate and member of the Board of Editors of the WV Law Review. He was a partner with Gall, Madden and Hughes Attorneys At Law, Moundsville; then Partner Madden and Hughes; later, Madden, Hughes, and Whorton; and in 1982, Senior Member G. Charles Hughes, L.C; and was Licensed with Supreme Court of Appeals of WV, United States District Court for the Northern District of WV, and the US Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. His Professional Appointments include Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for Marshall County, WV; President of Marshall County Bar Assoc.; Board of Governor's WV Trial Lawyer Assoc., where he served as past President. A Member of The WV Legal Services Corp.; a committee member on Codification of the WV Rules of Evidence; was 1 of 9 members of WV State Bar Committee on Legal Ethics. A Lawyer member of Legislative Interim Committee for Medical Malpractice Reform; WV Board of Review; Committee for Proposed Amendments to the WV Rules of Civil Procedure; West Virginia Board of Law Examiners; a 1 of 250 in the USA, Plaintiffs' Litigator Participant; a member of The Civil Litigation Project, and WV Law Institute. His Professional Memberships and Associations include WV State Bar Assoc., WV Trial Lawyers Assoc., Mountain State Bar Assoc., American Bar Assoc., Assoc. of Trial Lawyers of America; Defense Research Institute, WV University Law School Assoc., WV Bar Assoc., and Marshall County Bar Assoc. During his life, he received many awards. His Professional awards include, WV Trial Lawyers Assoc. Extraordinary Service Award and Lifetime Achievement Award, Blackstone Club Most Valuable Presentation Award, and Mountain State Bar Assoc. Life Member and Distinguished Service Award. Civic Awards include; Marshall County Recreation Board Distinguished Service Award, Friends of Marshall County Employees Award, Elected to Marshall Co. Commission from 1974-1980 and received Marshall County Commission's Distinguished Service Award, City of Cameron, WV Long-time Counsel and Honorary Citizen Award, Marshall-Wetzel-Tyler Central Labor Council Award, and AFL-CIO Outstanding Citizen Award. Charlie's



Community Service included President of Rotary Club and Cancer Society, involvement with Boys Baseball and Community Days, where he was past Commissioner; worked with Sam Yanen on the Moundsville Tree Project, a past member of Marshall County Park and Recreation Board and Commission for Student Government Day. He was a frequent lecturer on Insurance Bad Faith Litigation and successfully argued a broad spectrum of legal issues including insurance, employment, Mandolidis, and a variety of other tort and contract cases before the WV Supreme Court of Appeals. His practice was not limited to State Court, as he appeared before the US District Court of Appeals Fourth Circuit. Charlie felt privileged and very proud to have worked with many esteemed colleagues, including Stanley Preiser on achieving the first million-dollar award in the State of WV, as well as consultation with Justice Cleckley regarding his book, "Handbook on Evidence". He loved his family, the "Written Word", music, and so much more. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Michael Hughes. Survivors include his wife of 28 years, Kathleen; two sons, Chad (Diane) Hughes of Durham, NC, and Justin (Katie) Hughes of Atlanta, GA; a daughter, Molly Hughes (James) Lavino of Philadelphia, PA; a step-daughter, Jennifer Farabaugh of Boston, MA; six grandchildren, Cody, Skyler, Eliza, Mills, Olivia, and Owen; and a brother, Joseph Hughes of San Francisco, CA. The family would like to thank Dr. Robert Wade, the staff of Mound View Health Care, and the many caregivers and others, over the years that provided care and support. The care given to him was excellent. Charlie was grateful to Bob Fitzsimmons, who was more than a friend. In honoring Charlie's wishes, there will be no visitation and due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart/ Stroke Assoc., PO Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241.

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## **Henry C. Wymer '76**

Henry Clay Wymer, II, age 65, of Charleston, passed away Monday August 10, 2020 at Thomas Memorial Hospital. Clay was born on April 17, 1955 in Clarksburg, son of William C. Wymer and the late Georgia Voldeck. Clay was a member of the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. As Corporate Officer/Vice President of Wholesale Tire Inc., Clay devoted much of his life to growing the company with a strong work ethic. Clay was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity at West Virginia University and loved his fraternity brothers very much. He was a past President and Member of the Kiwanis Club of Charleston, West Virginia. An avid supporter of the Appalachian Children's Choir, especially at Christmas time, when he loved to buy dozens of Poinsettias and deliver them to family and friends. Clay loved watching the West Virginia Mountaineers at The Grille with his friends and leisurely playing the game of golf on the weekends. He admired watching his girls at all of their sporting events, with his wife Kelly, and supporting them throughout the years. Clay was a family-oriented man and enjoyed spending quality time at family gatherings. Along with his father, Clay is survived by his loving wife Kelly, of 30 years; daughters, Maddie





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Wymer and Ali Wymer, both of Charleston; sisters, Mary Ann Hatch of New York, NY, and Catherine Weaver (James Bryce) of McLean, VA; brother William Wymer (Cynthia) of Clarksburg; sisters in law Lisa Skeens (Jeff, deceased), Ann Evans (Barry), and Julie McAuliffe (Tim); brothers in law, Eddie Rowan (Lisa) and Tim Rowan (Tracey); mother and father in law, Edward and Madeline Rowan; numerous nieces and nephews, and loving friends. A service to honor the life of Clay will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday August 14, at Snodgrass Funeral Home with Rev. Binu Emmanuel officiating. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park, South Charleston. The family will receive friends from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Please follow all recommended guidelines from the Governor and local health department by practicing social distancing and wearing of masks for your safety and for the safety of others. In lieu of flowers contributions to West Virginia Kids Cancer Crusaders, a Non-Profit that supports children with cancer and their families in the state of West Virginia, would be appreciated [www.WVKidsCC.org](http://www.WVKidsCC.org) or PO Box 11029 Charleston, WV 25339.

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## Wisconsin Gamma - Beloit

### *William H. Korst '45*

William "Bill" Korst, Jr. of Beloit, Wisconsin passed away on Thursday, May 21, 2020 at Alden Care Center in Clinton, Wisconsin. Bill was born on April 20, 1928 in Oak Park, Illinois, the son of William and Clara (Sugden) Korst.



He graduated from Oak Park High School in 1945. After high school, he first attended Beloit College, then served in the CIA as a cryptographer. Bill then returned and graduated from Beloit College in 1952. He married the love of his life, Nancy on May 15, 1954 in Wheaton, Illinois. They were together for over 65 years

until Nancy's passing on November 7, 2019. From the late 1950's until the early 1970's, Bill sold mobile homes first as a salesman at Beloit Trailer Sales on Riverside Drive, then opening his own trailer sales business in 1965 until 1972. Bill then worked in advertising sales for WREX TV-Channel 13 in Rockford, Illinois until retiring in 1993. Throughout his life Bill cultivated his love of jazz music which began in his pre-teen years. He got his first drum set around 1939, and entertained their Oak Park neighborhood by playing in the driveway of the family home. Bill continued drumming his entire life. He played his last gig in March of 2020 (before Covid-19 closed restaurants) at the Monday Morning Dixie Band's weekly Thursday night engagement at Fib's restaurant in Rockton, Illinois. Bill was with the Monday Morning Dixie Band since the early 1970's. In the early 1970's stretching until 2017, Bill hosted a Sunday morning Big Band Radio show heard in southern Wisconsin, Northern Illinois, and later nationwide on the internet. All music on the show was played from Bill's massive record collection of jazz music which he accumulated over the years. The most popular segment of the show was probably "The Mystery Disc" where callers would try to guess the vocalist on a song. Bill would have 10 mystery discs per show. With his large music collection Bill could find plenty of obscure/rare recordings that always

challenged his callers. In 2009, Bill's dedication to the show was demonstrated as he did not miss any shows while undergoing chemotherapy treatments for cancer. Which almost caused him to lose his voice. However, Bill persevered and put the cancer behind him. In the late 1990's, Bill co-authored a book on the life and music of Shelley Manne who was a renowned jazz drummer that would later become one of the top movie soundtrack drummers from the 1950's through the 1970's. In between gigs and radio shows, Bill and Nancy traveled much of the USA, kept some of the local restaurants in business with regular visits, and hosted many family events over the years. Bill is survived by his children, William "Bill" (Sue) Korst of Mason, Ohio, Paul (Betsy) Korst of Willoughby, Ohio, David (Robin) Korst of Green Bay, Wisconsin, Casey Korst of O'Fallon, Missouri, John (Gary Jendro) Korst of San Diego, California, and Peter Korst of Beloit; ten grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his wife, Nancy.

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