

Al's Dartmouth heritage included his father, Al '20, and his paternal and maternal grandfathers. He married Claire Margaret Balmforth of Needham.

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RICHARD CURTIS JOHNSON died in Schroon Lake, N.Y., on July 22, 1985, evidently as the result of a heart attack. His home was in West Hartford, Conn.

Dick came to Dartmouth from Crosby High School in Waterbury, Conn. His major was economics, and he was a member of Chi Phi fraternity. In his senior year he won a Fulbright Scholarship.

In 1951 Dick entered the U.S. Army and served during the Korean War until 1953. He led a unit of military police as first lieutenant.

After the war he joined Curtis 1000, Inc., to sell business forms. In 1962 he joined Hano Business Forms, Inc., as sales manager and remained with the firm for more than 20 years. He relaxed by coaching Little League football, playing tennis year-round, and skiing.

Dick married Margaret Baker in 1951. They had four children: Sally, Richard C. Jr., David F., and Robert C.

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FRANCIS VINCENT KEAR JR., a native of New York, died suddenly of unknown causes on March 7, 1983.

Frank came to Dartmouth from the William H. Taft High School in the Bronx after serving as a sergeant in the Army Air Corps for two and a half years.

At Dartmouth Frank majored in government and was a member of the Forensic Union and the International Relations Club. After graduation he attended Columbia Law School. He hung out his attorney-at-law shingle in Forest Hills and practiced in courts throughout New York City.

1951

CHARLES NEEL BENSON died December 3, 1985, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Charlie came to Dartmouth from Swampscott, Mass. He did not graduate with the class; he attended MIT and served in the army for two years.

At the time of his death, he was associated with Ryerson Steel in Cincinnati as general manager of steel and aluminum distribution, a position he held since 1969. He was a member of the Maketewah Country Club and the Cincinnati Club.

Charlie is survived by his wife, Carole, his son, Grant, and his daughter, Lori.

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WILLARD DEANE LESHURE JR. died on October 11, 1985, of leukemia at the Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Mass.

Bill came to Dartmouth from Longmeadow, Mass. At Dartmouth, Bill was a history major, a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and Sphinx, and earned his "D" in soccer.

Bill received a master's degree in liberal studies from Connecticut Wesleyan University in 1958 and master's degree in education from Springfield College in 1963.

After leaving the army in 1953, he taught at Suffield Academy for nine years. In 1962, he moved to the Wilbraham (Mass.) Junior High School to continue his teaching career until 1971. He then became a self-employed nurseryman and landscaper as well as a skilled carpenter and resided in Somers Conn., until his death.

Bill is survived by his mother, Mrs. Willard D. Leshure of Somers, Conn.

1971

CHARLES SKIRM AALTO passed away on September 28, 1985, after a brief illness. Born and raised in Ridgewood, N.J., Charlie was secretary of Green Key and the editor of the *Jack-O-Lantern* humor magazine while at Dartmouth. He was recipient of the Hartnut Award his senior year, given to that member of Bones Gate most representative of the spirit of the fraternity. Charlie received his law degree from Columbia University in 1974 where he was a member of an honorary legal society. Initially he joined the firm of Eaton, Moore, Possum, and Lovitt and specialized in real estate law. In 1984, he joined Finley, Kumble, Wagner, et al.

From the time he left Dartmouth, Charlie made his home in New York, where his attachment to the College remained strong. He served as the first class secretary after graduation and was active in various Dartmouth Club social functions, fund-raising, and recruiting. He served for two years as president of the Old Green Rugby Club of New York and as vice president and treasurer of the Metropolitan New York Rugby Union. He will be remembered by his rugby teammates as a skillful organizer and energetic player and particularly as the author of a witty and colorful newsletter.

To those who knew him, Charlie will always be treasured for his lively sense of humor and for his good fellowship. He had a gift for creating strong and lasting relationships because he was, indeed, always there when you needed him. His intellect, integrity, loyalty, and devotion to family, friends, and College were extraordinary.

Charlie is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Toivo R. Aalto of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

JOHN S. EATON '71

1977

After a long struggle with bone cancer, KEVIN MARK CURLEY died on December 28, 1985, in Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, N.J.

Kevin came to Dartmouth from the University of Detroit High School, Detroit, Mich. As an undergraduate he was very involved in the Aquinas House, where he was a member of the executive committee. Kevin also earned varsity letters in football and track and was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

After obtaining his degree in mathematics from Dartmouth, Kevin attended Michigan State and Wayne State, receiving master's degrees in mathematics and urban planning. For several years he was employed by the city of Detroit and participated in the local Dartmouth Club. Kevin then moved his family to Baltimore where he worked as an actuarial assistant for USF & G.

Kevin is survived by his wife, Linda Webb Curley, and their three-year-old daughter, Christine. He is from a family with a strong Dartmouth tradition as he had four brothers who also attended: Jack '67, T '68, Denis T '68, Roger '72, and Shawn '79. Kevin is also survived by his mother and two sisters, Roberta and Juanita, and another brother, Shannon. To the members of Kevin's family, the class expresses its heartfelt sympathy.