

OBITUARY JAMES HOWARD REYNOLDS

James Howard Reynolds, known as Howie during his Dartmouth years but more recently as Jim, died in Hamilton, New York on May 14, 2017. He spent 32 years as a professor of Psychology at Colgate University and more than 50 years in Hamilton, which he described as "an ideal place to live, work and raise a family."

Howie was a Psychology major at Dartmouth and a member of Zeta Psi fraternity. He and his wife Shirley were married during his senior year, living in Wigwam Village. Shirley served as a nurse at Dick's House.

Following four years as a Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force, Howie earned a masters degree in psychology from Rutgers and a PhD at Syracuse University. He completed a post-doctoral year at the Institute of Human Learning at the University of California - Berkeley. Human learning and memory were life-long interests.

Howie's career at Colgate included teaching, research and administration; he served as chair of the Psychology department and as a division head. He started Colgate's computer center and authored a book: "Computing in Psychology: Introduction to Programming Methods and Concepts."

Besides his wife, Howie is survived by three children, nine grandchildren and a great-grandchild. Sons Jim '75 and Jeff '77 and granddaughter Gretchen '07 are Dartmouth alums. The Reynolds family were avid travelers, mostly by car; they visited all 50 states and 20 countries. He enjoyed flying his Cessna 150 airplane, trout fishing and playing the guitar, and was active as a volunteer in the Hamilton community.