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in several businesses. He was very active in his church and did volunteer work at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. In addition to his wife, Phil leaves five children and 14 grandchildren.

1951

William Merrill Brooks died April 14 of pancreatic cancer in Middlesex Hospital, Middletown, Connecticut. Born and raised in Montclair, New Jersey, and graduating from its high school, Bill majored in English drama and was a member of Chi Phi, WDBS and Green Key. Thirty-four years with Texaco in many positions in Europe, including Paris and Brussels, and in New York and Pennsylvania were followed by a career as a realtor in Madison, Connecticut. Besides being active in his local Congregational church, he was a past president of the Madison Winter Club as well as the Madison Property Owners Association. He was a member of the Madison Golf Club and the National Realtors Association. His alumni activities included service as assistant class agent, co-class agent, reunion committees and class secretary. Bill is survived by his wife, Dorothy Skop. Sons Donald and John and three grandchildren. His father was in the class of 1917.

Richard Francis Cahill died April 6 in the Bridgeport, Connecticut, hospital of complications of a blood disorder. He was raised in Bridgeport, graduating from Warren Harding High School. Before entering Dartmouth he served during World War II with the U.S. Navy in the Atlantic and Pacific areas. He majored in economics and was a member of Delta Upsilon and a studio engineer for WDBS. His career included many years with Sikorsky Aircraft, retiring in 1985 as a sub-contract administrator in the materials department. His wife, Mary Plonsky, predeceased him. Surviving Dick are stepchildren John, Robert and Patricia and their six children.

Guido Reinhardt Rahr Jr. died May 3 from effects of leukemia at home on Lake Minnetonka, Minnesota. He prepared for Dartmouth at Exeter, majored in geography and joined Phi Kappa Psi, Casque & Gauntlet, German Club, DOC and crew. After military service in Germany he moved to Portland, Oregon, in 1956 to begin a lifelong career in malting. There he married Laurie Malarkey and together they had five children. In 1971 they moved to Minnesota, where he became president, CEO and later chairman of the Rahr Malting Co., a family business founded in 1847. He was a committed sportsman and conservationist as evidenced by his association with Outward Bound schools and the American Alpine Club. He was equally at home hunting chamois in the Alps or hiking on his ranch in Montana. He is survived by his wife, Laurie; children Guido, Sarah '85, Gretel, Christine and William; and 11 grandchildren.

1952

Alexander Achmat, known at Dartmouth as Alexander Achmatowicz, died in his sleep on

March 5 at his son's home in unusual journey to Dartmouth War II found Alexander and his mother—Polish citizens—in a displaced persons camp in Innsbruck, Austria. In some manner they came to be sponsored for immigration to the U.S. by Dartmouth professor Dimitri von Mohrenschildt. They ended up living in White River Junction, Vermont, because it was inexpensive. Alexander joined the class of '52 in its sophomore year. He was then nearly 30 years old. An economics major, he graduated from the Tuck School and then went to work for the Rodger Babson Co. in Wellesley, Massachusetts, where he was employed as a financial analyst before retiring in 2000 at the age of 80. His wife, Kathryn, predeceased him. He leaves son Alexander Jr.

John P. Doty died of cancer on November 23, 2004, at his home in the Doral area of Miami, Florida. John came from Dayton, Ohio. He was a legacy; both his father and brother graduated from Dartmouth. John majored in sociology, worked on WDCR and *Jack-O-Lantern* and was a Chi Phi. After service as a Navy communications officer John worked for Ohio Bell and then went to Braniff Airways as business research manager. Later he moved to Eastern Airlines, where he was director of operating plans. John is survived by his wife, Paige, three children and a grandchild.

Donald R. Myers died of coronary artery disease on April 27 at his home in Tampa, Florida. He came to the College from Arlington, Massachusetts. At Dartmouth Don played varsity football and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He was a biology major. After college Don graduated from Tufts University School of Dentistry and completed a three-year residency in oral surgery. Four years of dental practice in New England convinced Don that there was a better climate somewhere to the south. He moved his family to St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands and developed a dental/oral surgery practice. Don was equally active in competitive sailboat racing, and he and his sons were of Olympic caliber. Don's last boat was named *Eleazer's Tavern* and featured an Indian head painting on the bow. He is survived by his wife, Janet; children Rick, Jamie '88, Lynda and Kathy '82; and seven grandchildren.

1953

Tom Nelson died unexpectedly on August 2, 2004, in Waterbury, Connecticut. Tom came to Dartmouth in the summer of 1948 as an instructor in the NROTC program and became a full-time student in 1950 also working as a research assistant to Adelbert Ames at the Institute for Associated Research. As a Senior Fellow at Dartmouth he undertook a project investigating "The Problem of Changing Human Nature." After graduation Tom earned his M.A.T. at Wesleyan University, and then taught high school mathematics in Chappaqua, New York. He left in 1959 to teach junior high science in New Canaan, Connecticut, becoming department chairman in

lecturer and publisher for the Institute for General Semantics. He is survived by son Tom '67, daughter Molly and two grandsons. His wife, Margaret, predeceased him.

1954

Nicholas Brice Dean died on January 28. Nick came to Dartmouth from Long Island, New York, and attended both Dartmouth and Harvard. He is remembered on campus as a serious photographer, a career he pursued working for Polaroid and studying with Ansel Adams. He published several books of his photos, including *Lubec, Blues and Roots* and *Bullfinch's Boston*. He taught photography and printmaking at the Portland School of Art. His other love was the history of sailing featured in his 2001 book, *Snow Squall: The Last American Clipper Ship*. Nick sponsored an exhibition to raise the ship, which had sunk near the Falkland Islands and return it to Maine. Nick is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and their children David, Katherine, Martha, Joan and Rebecca.

Ferris "Tommy" Purdum Thompson died February 24 at the Veterans Hospital, Tucson, Arizona, after a long illness. Tommy came to Dartmouth from Monrovia Ascadia Duarte High School, Monrovia, California. At Dartmouth he majored in chemistry and zoology and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and *The Dartmouth*. He graduated from Georgetown School of Dentistry in 1958. He was in the Navy from 1957 to 1962, and after nine years of private practice, reached the rank of commander. He again entered private dentistry as a dental surgeon, retiring in 1997. He is survived by his wife, Beth, and children Ferris, Malinda, Malissa, Steven, David and James.

1955

Richard Sexton Flagg died on February 24. He came to Dartmouth from Westchester High in Pennsylvania. A member of Sigma Chi, Sphinx and AKK, Dick played varsity football for years and was a rugby and track participant in his undergraduate years as well as a member of the U.G.C. in his third year. He attended Dartmouth and Harvard Medical School, from which he graduated in 1959. From 1960 to 1971 he practiced medicine in the U.S. Navy, reaching the rank of DFR upon his discharge. Subsequently Dick specialized in vascular surgery and wrote several papers on that subject. He served as the treasurer of the Orange City (California) Surgical Society for several terms. He is survived by his wife, Raffaella, and children Sharon, Bradford and Jonathan.

Bruce Hugo Justice died in Traverse City, Michigan, on February 22. He came to Dartmouth from Dearborn, Michigan, and majored in chemistry, which became his life's work. He received a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1961. Post-doctoral work was done at Iowa State and Rice Institute and the University of Michigan over several