

James M. Meirick

Died: April 18, 1959

Jim died at age 20 near the end of his sophomore year at Dartmouth. He was killed in an automobile accident at 2:30 in the afternoon on Saturday, April 18, 1959 on Route 128 near Woburn, Massachusetts.

Newspaper accounts of the accident say Jim, driving an MG roadster, apparently swerved to avoid a bushel basket that had dropped from a truck he was following. He lost control when his wheels went onto the shoulder. The vehicle rolled over five times, police said.

Jim died a short while later in Choate Memorial Hospital in Woburn. He was on his way home to Newton, Massachusetts, when the accident occurred.

Jim came to Dartmouth from Newton, where he had grown up. He attended Tabor Academy and was editor of the newspaper there, and in the glee club, band, and dramatics. He rowed crew, and managed the baseball, basketball, and football teams.

At Dartmouth he lived in Smith Hall and was the newly elected pledge master of his fraternity, Pi Lambda Phi.