

James “Jock” MacLeod Soper, 1968 died on December 21, 2015, in his retirement home of Patagonia, Arizona. Jock grew up in Darien, Connecticut, and attended St. Luke’s School in New Canaan, where he was active in National Honor Society, the school newspaper, and served as both class secretary and class treasurer. At Dartmouth, his freshman year dorm was on South Massachusetts, where classmates remember him as affable, pleasant and often smiling. College records show Jock was a member of Gamma Delta Chi, but left Dartmouth before graduating. His writing career began as a “cub reporter” for the Brattleboro Reformer in Brattleboro, Vermont. Jock moved on to New York City, where he worked in public relations and won a Silver Anvil Award from the Public Relations Society of America. Later, he moved to Sonoma County in California, where he wrote about one of his favorite interests, wine. Jock spent the last five years of his life semi-retired in the town of Patagonia, Arizona. He is survived by his wife of forty-two years, Pamela, and two children, Amada and Colin.