

**1944 Robert P. Holmberg**, 100, of Wallingford, Connecticut, died on August 10, 2023.

Holmberg attended Trinity before serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He went on to graduate from Teachers College of Connecticut and to teach high school chemistry and physics for many years.

Holmberg is survived by children Cathy Leahy (Patrick), James Holmberg (Priscilla), Beth Ogle (Joseph), and Thomas Holmberg (Kim); 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 73 years, Doris, and siblings Jeanne Dellay and Alan Holmberg.

**1948 Joseph H. Schachter**, 97, of Westport, Connecticut, died on June 26, 2023.

Schachter served in the U.S. Navy before earning a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of the Jesters and participated in Hillel. After a 20-year career in advertising, he licensed the East Coast rights to Concrete Floatation Systems. The dedicated alumnus was a member of Trinity's Elms Society.

Schachter is survived by sons Theodore (Susan), Stephen (Carrie), and David (Daniel); five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by first wife Carol Kagan and second wife Irma Klein.

**1950 Harry C. Rowney Jr.**, 94, of Asheville, North Carolina, died on June 7, 2023.

Rowney earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of the fencing team and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to attend Columbia University before launching a career on

Wall Street, where he worked for firms including J.P. Morgan, Drexel Burnham Lambert, and the United States Trust Company, the latter of which he served as senior vice president.

Rowney is survived by children Peter and Elizabeth and their partners, as well as three grandchildren.

**1951** Frederick Prose Jr., 94, of Sarasota, Florida, died on July 16, 2023.

Prose, who changed his surname from Prosiatkowski, earned an interdisciplinary B.S. from Trinity, where he played soccer and basketball. He went on to earn a D.M.D. from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and to serve in the U.S. Army Dental Corps. Prose had a private dental practice from which he retired in the mid-90s.

Prose is survived by wife Priscilla; daughters Suzanne Prose, Joanne Zorba (Alexander), and Pamela Hendrickson (Robert); and one grandson. He was predeceased by siblings Joseph Prose, Katherine Hanulak, and Stella Snyder.

**1952 John H. Miller**, 93, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on September 20, 2023.

Miller graduated Phi Beta
Kappa from Trinity with a B.S.
in engineering. He was a member of the Newman Club and
the Engineering Club. Miller
went on to earn a B.S. in civil
engineering from Rensselaer
Polytechnic Institute. The
dedicated alumnus had a sixdecade career as a professional
engineer, including as a founding principal and president of
the civil engineering consulting
firm of Close, Jensen and Miller.

Miller is survived by children Ann Brickley, Nancy Davis '79 (Jim '79), and John Miller II '81 (Lisa) and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 68 years, Anita, and sister Marilyn Whalen.

**1953 Marland L. Berdick**, 91, of Glenview, Illinois, died on October 11, 2023.

Berdick graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.A. in history. He served as president of Alpha Chi Rho; participated in the Glee Club, the Jesters, and the Debate Team; and worked at WRTC. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan. Berdick's work life included time with the Illinois State Scholarship Commission.

Berdick is survived by wife Ruth; children Barbara Holland (Tom), Marilyn Berdick, and Brent Berdick (Elizabeth); eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

**1953 G. Bruce Fox**, 91, of Scottsdale, Arizona, died on April 24, 2022.

Fox earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club and took part in ROTC. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, he co-founded Fox & Fin Financial Group.

Fox is survived by children Elizabeth (Chris), William (Trisha), Gregory (Cathy), and Michael (Adam); 12 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and sister Alicia. He was predeceased by wife Mary Ann and brother Francis "Smokey."

**1954 David E. Fisher**, 91, of East Orleans, Massachusetts, died on June 28, 2023.

Fisher earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Jesters, the Senate, and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He also was an All-American fencer. Fisher went on to earn a Ph.D. in nuclear chemistry from the University of Florida. He began his teaching career at Cornell University and then became a professor of marine geology and geophysics at the University of Miami, from which he retired in 2010. Fisher also wrote and acted in plays and penned 25 books.

Fisher is survived by wife Leila; children Lisabeth DiLalla (Dave), Ron Fisher (Joey), and Marshall Fisher (Mileta Roe); six grandchildren; sister Deborah Stern; and brother-inlaw and sister-in-law William and Sandra Katz.

**1954 Lewis D. McCauley**, 90, of Orchard Park, New York, died on August 8, 2023.

McCauley earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. After serving in the U.S. Army, he opened L.D. McCauley, a machine shop that was a major supplier of jet and rocket components. He later formed McGard to sell his patented automotive wheel lock.

McCauley is survived by wife Harriet; children Durham McCauley (Valerie), Jennifer Burger, and Peter McCauley (Rebecca); six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

**1954 Donald G. Sukosky**, 90, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on October 11, 2023.

Sukosky earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Glee Club. He went on to earn a Th.M. from Harvard University and a Ph.D. from Hartford Seminary. After working as a senior minister, he served for 35 years as a professor

at the University of Hartford. In retirement, he taught at Manchester Community College.

Sukosky is survived by son David Sukosky (Jane), four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by son Peter Sukosky.

## 1955 Gerow "Gerry" G. Crowell

Jr., 90, of Gilford, New Hampshire, died on September 1, 2023.

Crowell earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and played football. After working for Southern New England Telephone, he spent the rest of his career with New England Telephone/NYNEX.

Crowell is survived by children Jeffrey Crowell (Nella), Peter Crowell (Nancy), Wendy Bua (Mark), Robert Crowell (Lynda), and David Crowell (Liana); 14 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 62 years, Marilyn.

1955 Robert A. Laird, 90, of Palm Springs, California, died on August 8, 2023.

Laird earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he served as president of Sigma Nu and took part in ROTC. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago. Laird spent his career in human resources. He also served in the U.S. Air Force.

Laird is survived by children Susan, Michael, and David; three grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters. He was predeceased by his wife of 60 years, Elaine.

# 1955, M.A. 1967 William F. LaPorte

**Jr.**, 90, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on October 8, 2023.

LaPorte earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn an M.A. in economics from the College. LaPorte retired from Cigna after 33 years. The dedicated alumnus, who served as a class officer and class agent, received Trinity's 175th Anniversary Award.

LaPorte is survived by wife Justine, children Lee Ann Harper (Phillip) and David LaPorte (Kristy), 10 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

1956 Richard J. Jordan, 88, of East Hartford, Connecticut, died on April 9, 2023.

Jordan earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He went on to earn master's degrees in education from Central Connecticut State University and the University of Hartford. Jordan taught at East Hartford High School for more than 25 years.

Jordan is survived by daughter Catherine Jordan. He was predeceased by his wife of 50 years, Irene.

**1956 Alan H. Loveridge**, 89, of Sarasota, Florida, died on August 11, 2023.

Loveridge earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Glee Club. He went on to work in the trucking and storage industry and later in real estate development.

Loveridge is survived by his wife of 67 years, Barbara; children Mark (Elizabeth) and Lynn Kling (Frank); five grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisterin-law Priscilla; and brother-inlaw Bill Larson. He was predeceased by brother Stuart.

**1956 E. Rust Muirhead**, 89, of San Rafael, California, died on July 31, 2023.

Muirhead earned a B.A. in history and English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, the Canterbury Club, and the Corinthian Yacht Club. He began his career with Pacific Union Bank and then moved to Heber Fuger Wendin. Muirhead launched the fixed income department at Rosenberg Capital Management, later retiring in 1993.

Muirhead is survived by children E. Rust Muirhead Jr. '86 (Mary Susan) and Elisabeth "Lisa" Price '86 (Tom '86) and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Mercedes, son Anthony, and siblings Stan Muirhead '54, Martha Muirhead, and Rowena Muirhead.

1956 Anthony B. Rice, 88, of Hernando, Florida, died on January 27, 2023.

Rice earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He went on to a career in the defense industry.

Rice is survived by wife Gerre, children Greg Rice and Doreen Rice Daab '86, and four grandchildren.

**1956 Jay M. Sivitz**, 88, of Elkins Park, Pennsylvania, died on April 3, 2023.

Sivitz earned a B.S. from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club, the Jesters, and the soccer and swimming teams. He went on to earn an M.D. from Temple University. Sivitz also served in the U.S. Air Force.

Sivitz is survived by son Paul Sivitz (Gabrielle). He was predeceased by wife Shirley.

1956 Giles A. Vigneault, 89, of Vero Beach, Florida, and East Brunswick, New Jersey, died on June 28, 2023.

Vigneault graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.S. in chemistry. He was a member of the Brownell Club, the Newman Club, and the Glee Club. Vigneault went on to earn a master's degree in chemistry from Columbia University. He worked as a chemist with Johnson & Johnson and later co-founded SaVit Enterprises, a medical accounts receivable company.

Vigneault is survived by his wife of 65 years, Gertrude; daughters Patricia Cauley and Susan Vigneault; daughters-in-law Gloria Vigneault and Kathy Davidson; eight grandsons; three great-grandchildren; and sister Lucille Queyrane. He was predeceased by sons Mark and Thomas, granddaughter Caroline Cauley, and siblings Marcel Vigneault and Jacqueline Farrelly.

**1957 David J. Elliott**, 88, of Charleston, South Carolina, died on May 16, 2023.

Elliott earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and ran track. He spent 37 years with Procter & Gamble as director of international trade and served as deputy assistant secretary at the U.S. Department of Commerce in the Carter and Reagan administrations. Elliott's later work led to the creation of the University of South Carolina's Mark Catesby Centre, which showcases the work and influence of its 17th-century naturalist namesake.

Elliott is survived by his wife of nearly 65 years, Sallie; children Gwen Farwick (Donald) and Jeff Elliott (Susannah); and four grandchildren.

**1958 Robert S. Carter Jr.**, 91, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on August 30, 2023.

Carter earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he played basketball. He went on to a 30-year career in banking, retiring from Bank of America as vice president and manager of the West Hartford Personal Trust Office. Carter also served in the U.S. Army.

Carter is survived by his wife of 65 years, Carole; children

Janice Hall (Stephen) and R. Stuart Carter III; and five grandchildren.

**1958 Eugene F. Corcoran Jr.**, 87, of Spring City, Tennessee, died on July 20, 2023.

Corcoran earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of the Glee Club and worked at WRTC. He served in the U.S. Air Force and then the Air Force Reserve for nearly 40 years, time that overlapped his three-decade career as a pilot for Trans World Airlines.

Corcoran is survived by his wife of 55 years, Joy; children Eugene Corcoran III and Ashley Majors (Bart); four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by brother Timothy Corcoran and a great-grandson.

1959 Oliver D. "Nol" Putnam, 89, of Huntly, Virginia, died on June 11, 2023.

Putnam earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon. He went on to earn an M.Ed. from the University of Massachusetts College of Education. Putnam taught history at independent schools before focusing on blacksmithing. Considered a master craftsman, he founded and then operated White Oak Forge for several decades. The U.S. Army veteran's most famous pieces include metalwork for the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. He also authored or co-authored two books, Lines in Space and Beauty in the Shadows: Wrought Iron in the National Cathedral.

Putnam is survived by daughter Marinette "Anne" Putnam, stepson Jamie Braden (Jenn), a step-granddaughter, and sister Lawrence "Toni" Putnam. He was predeceased by siblings Augustus "Pete" Putnam and Anne Seamans.

1960 Frederick S. "Ted" Fox III, 86, of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, died on July 19, 2023.

Fox earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. He went on to a 35-year career in real estate at Fox and Lazo. Fox returned to academia at age 59 to earn an M.S. in dynamics of organization from the University of Pennsylvania.

Fox is survived by his wife of 57 years, Cathy; children Carey Fox, Katy Fox, and John Fox (Carol DeVol); a grandson; and siblings Beth McFeeley, Jane Fox, Sandy Fox, and Chuck Zwally. He was predeceased by brother G. William Fox '63.

1960 Richard W. Stockton, 85, of Vero Beach, Florida, and Siasconset, Massachusetts, died on August 20, 2023.

Stockton earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he served as president of Theta Xi and manager of the basketball team, worked at WRTC, and took part in the Jesters. He started his career in steel sales and then moved into advertising and publishing. Stockton served as president of national advertising at *The New York Times* before launching NYT Custom Publishing, which later became Forbes Custom Publishing. He retired in 2002. The loyal alumnus served as a member of the Board of Trustees and volunteered in many capacities, including as a class secretary and an admissions interviewer. He was recognized in 1995 with Trinity's Alumni Medal for Excellence.

Stockton is survived by his wife of 58 years, Barbara; children Sallie Bunn (Andy), Rick Stockton '91 (Betsy), and Bob Stockton '94; and 10 grandchildren. He was predeceased by sister Mary Ellen Seitz.

1961 Joseph E. Colen Jr., 84, of Gladwyne, Pennsylvania, died on July 16, 2023. Colen earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi, the Canterbury Club, and the soccer team and worked on the staffs of WRTC and the *Ivy*. He went on to serve as president and CEO of Machined Metals and Jennings International. Colen also served in the U.S. Air Force. The dedicated alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Colen is survived by children Joseph "Dusty" Colen III (Mazie), Jennifer Colen '87, Jennifer Leach Anderson '92 (Hugh), and Ambler Selway (Jamie); eight grandchildren; siblings Susan Kreusser and Jeffrey Colen (Alyse); and companion Gretchen Lerch. He was predeceased by wife Mary, son-in-law Brian McAdams, and brother-in-law Robert Kreusser.

1961 Bradford L. Wright, 84, of Ellington, Connecticut, died on October 18, 2023.

Wright earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he participated in the band. After teaching in Coventry Public Schools for a decade, he served as a charter manager for Post Road Stages Bus Company for more than 30 years.

Wright is survived by his wife of nearly 40 years, Barbara; children Carl Tompkins (Birgit), Stephen Tompkins (Mindy), and Karen Downey (Gareth); eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law Sally Miyara. He was predeceased by brother David Wright.

1962 David S. Alberts, 83, of Tucson, Arizona, died on July 29, 2023.

Alberts graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.S. in biology. He was a member of the International Relations Club and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. Alberts went on to earn an M.D. from the University of Virginia School of Medicine and to pursue a career in oncology. He also was a longtime professor,

teaching at the University of Arizona for more than 48 years. In addition, Alberts served as director of the UArizona Cancer Center for several years.

Alberts is survived by his wife of 60 years, Heather; children Tim Alberts (Angelle) and Sabrina Plattner (Danny); five grandchildren; and siblings Bunny Fried and Chip Alberts. He was predeceased by brotherin-law John Fried.

1963 Richard D. Field, 83, of Hobe Sound, Florida, died on July 28, 2023.

Field earned an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and the Trinidads. He went on to a career in banking and investment, including serving as senior executive vice president of Bank of New York Mellon.

Field is survived by wife Schuyler; children Devon Pastor (Mike) and Richard D. Field Jr. (Beth); stepchildren Earle Cutler (Melissa), Peter Cutler (Whitney), and Katharine Coughlin (Read); 13 grandchildren; brothers H. James Field (Janet) and Christopher Field (Rose); and sister-in-law Margaret Holland.

1963 Kenneth S. Fletcher III, 82, of Port St. Lucie, Florida, died on June 24, 2023.

Fletcher earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he served as president of Pi Kappa Alpha. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in electrochemistry from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Fletcher spent his career at The Foxboro Company, leading its analytical sensor program.

Fletcher is survived by children Amy Conover and Kenneth Fletcher IV, three grandsons, and siblings Barbara Coburn and Ron Fletcher.

**1963 Malcolm M. McGawn**, 81, of Valparaiso, Indiana, died on June 1, 2023.

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McGawn earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of Q.E.D. and captain of the track and cross-country teams. After serving in the U.S. Navy, he earned an M.A. in mathematics from the University of Wyoming. McGawn spent 36 years in civilian nuclear power production—first at the Westinghouse Nuclear Training Center and then at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station—before retiring in 2009.

McGawn is survived by his wife of 54 years, Marilyn; children Lani Fisher (Greg) and Mike McGawn (Jessica); five grandchildren; and sisters Janet Bozedarevic and Carolyn Morris.

**1963 Lloyd L. Reynolds**, 83, of Falmouth, Maine, died on August 1, 2023.

Reynolds earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he served as captain of the crew team and the cheerleaders and was a founding member of the Trinidads. He also took part in ROTC and went on to 21 years of military service. Reynolds earned a master's in financial services from The American College and a master's in maritime history from the University of Delaware. He founded Reynolds Financial Services, which he led for nearly 30 years. The dedicated alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Reynolds is survived by wife Lee; children Lloyd L. "Kip" Reynolds Jr., Kyla P'an, and Nicholas Reynolds, as well as their spouses; and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by brother Jon Reynolds '59, H'15.

1965 Park Benjamin III, 79, of Centre Island, New York, died on September 16, 2023.

Benjamin earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and worked on the staffs of *The Trinity Tripod* and WRTC.

After serving in the U.S. Coast Guard, he began a career in investment banking at Lazard Frères while earning an M.B.A. from New York University. Benjamin later worked in municipal financing for Manufacturers Hanover, Chemical Bank, and Chase Manhattan Bank. The dedicated alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Benjamin is survived by wife Linda, sons Park (Amanda) and Jay (Kirsten); four stepchildren; five granddaughters; nine step-grandchildren; brothers Bill (Caroline) and Steve; and sister-in-law Rebecca. He was predeceased by brother Hoyt.

**1965 Thomas A. Garson Sr.**, 79, of Washington, D.C., died on October 16, 2023.

Garson earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the staff of the *Ivy*. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Columbia Business School. Garson worked for the family's intimate apparel business, The Lovable Company, and later owned its international trademark arm, Lovable World Trading. He also served in the National Guard. The dedicated alumnus was a longtime class secretary.

Garson is survived by wife Nancy; sons Thomas Garson Jr. and Michael Garson; stepdaughters Genevieve Jaffe and Emily Bracken; six grandchildren; and siblings Susan Taylor, Kathy Frank, Abigail Orris, and Arthur "Tim" Garson Jr. He was predeceased by first wife Julie Monsky.

**1965 Robert J. "Jon" Stansfield**, 79, of Bradenton, Florida, died on June 2, 2023.

Stansfield earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and the baseball team. He went on to earn an M.Ed. from Springfield College. Stansfield worked in human resources at Yale New Haven Hospital

and at Boehringer Ingelheim International. He also served in the U.S. Navy.

Stansfield is survived by wife Judy; sons R. Brent Stansfield (Stephanie Preston), Andrew Stansfield, and Matthew Ellis (Melanie); and six grandchildren.

1969 Joel M. Goldfrank, 75, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, died on August 8, 2023.

Goldfrank earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he served as president of Theta Xi. He went on to work for two decades at Eastdil Realty, rising to president. Goldfrank also served in the U.S. Army Reserve.

Goldfrank is survived by daughters Emily '03 and Alison Goldfrank, twin sister Jean Bronstein, and brother Lionel Goldfrank III.

**1969 Stephen G. Soule**, 75, of Wellington, Florida, died on May 25, 2023.

Soule earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi. He went on to earn a D.V.M. from the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. Soule founded the Delaware Equine Center in Pennsylvania and later established a practice in Florida, from which he retired in 2013. He also served as veterinarian for the U.S. Equestrian Team for multiple Olympic competitions.

Soule is survived by wife Jeanette Soule and sister Barbara Carlson (David).

**1971 Michael P. Najarian**, 73, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, died on June 20, 2023.

Najarian earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and played football and lacrosse. He went on to earn a D.O. from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Najarian practiced as a trauma surgeon at several hospitals in Pennsylvania, including York Wellspan Hospital from 2007 until his retirement in 2018. He also served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps for a decade.

Najarian is survived by his fiancée and partner of 27 years, Betsy Kopp; children Jennifer and Jason Najarian; and sister Lizabeth Hutchison.

**1972 Jory Johnson**, 71, of Urbana, Illinois, died on February 26, 2022.

Johnson earned a B.A. in theater arts and then worked at the New York Public Theater. He went on to study at Harvard University and to teach landscape architecture at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

Johnson is survived by wife Margaret; children Devin Johnson and Adina Johnson; and sister Brenda Clay. He was predeceased by brother Verner Johnson.

**1973 JoAnne A. Epps**, 72, of Shamong, New Jersey, died on September 19, 2023.

Epps earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity and a J.D. from Yale Law School. She served as a deputy city attorney for the City of Los Angeles and then as assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Epps began her academic career at Temple Law School, with roles including professor, associate dean for academic affairs, and then dean. She later was appointed executive vice president and provost of Temple University, and in April 2023, was named Temple's acting president. The dedicated alumna served Trinity as a member of the Board of Trustees; she was honored with the Alumni Medal for Excellence in 1988, the 175th Anniversary Award in 1999, and an honorary doctorate in 2015.

Epps is survived by husband L. Harrison Jay.

**1973 F. Christian Horn**, 72, of New Hope, Pennsylvania, died on June 1, 2023.

Horn earned a B.A. in theater arts and went on to work in the field. He later turned his focus to public relations and advertising, spending two decades as vice president of Creative Marketing Alliance before retiring in 2016.

Horn is survived by wife Melanie Pittner; sons Tyler (Morgan Manfredi), Griffin, and Patrick (Jackie Schram); a grandson; and brother Andrew Horn. He was predeceased by brother David Horn.

1973 Joseph E. McCabe, 72, formerly of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on October 20, 2023.

McCabe earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he served as president of Alpha Chi Rho and played football and baseball. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Boston College. McCabe worked as a chartered financial analyst and investment analyst, most recently at UBS.

McCabe is survived by children Megan Welch (Matthew), Katelyn Willis (Nicholas), and Brendan McCabe; four grandchildren; and siblings Joyce O'Rourke, Janet Cahill, and Jack McCabe. He was predeceased by wife Doreen.

1974 William M. Orfitelli, 71, of Anchorage, Alaska, died on April 9, 2023.

Orfitelli earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he worked on the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. His professional life included time as a financial adviser.

Orfitelli is survived by his wife of 40 years, Karen; daughter Robyn Orfitelli; siblings Lonnie Orfitelli, Nancy Hevenor, Dulcie Giadone, Gina Fredericks, Melissa Campbell, and Carolyn Orfitelli; and mother-inlaw Deborah Barry. He was predeceased by his first wife, Kay '73. His father, Orlando Orfitelli, graduated from Trinity in 1942.

**1976 Mark L. Baird**, 69, of Monroe, Connecticut, died on September 1, 2023.

Baird earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. He went on to a career in business and consulting, including serving as president of CDT Corporation.

Baird is survived by children Alexandra and Austin and siblings Linda Jansen (Edward) and William Baird Jr. (Dahnit). He was predeceased by siblings Cynthia DeRosa, Cheryl Baird, and Carl Baird.

1976 Elizabeth Boles Gutterson, 69, of Westwood, Massachusetts

69, of Westwood, Massachusetts, died on September 24, 2023.

Gutterson earned a B.A. in psychology. She began her career at New England Trust Company before moving to New England Merchants National Bank; she later worked as a preschool teacher.

Gutterson is survived by husband Eric; children Elizabeth Lynch '06 (Michael), Caroline Ward (Dana), and Christopher Gutterson; six grandchildren; mother Margaret Boles; and siblings Russell Boles and Margaret Fitzgerald. She was predeceased by brother Douglas Boles.

**1977 Earl W. "Chipp" Gardner**, 68, of Bloomfield, Connecticut, died on August 18, 2023.

Gardner studied theater at Trinity, where he was a member of the Jesters and the band. He went on to act, direct, sing, and perform on TV and radio and in plays. Gardner most recently worked for Educational Data Systems as an employment navigator for the noncustodial parent program.

Gardner is survived by his wife of 44 years, Callie; son Caleb Bostic-Gardner; and



#### REMEMBRANCE

# MICHAEL T. CASEY VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADVANCEMENT

Michael T. Casey, 63, of Saratoga Springs, New York, Trinity's vice president for advancement since 2017, died on August 22, 2023.

Casey earned a bachelor's degree in Irish history and literature from Harvard University and began his career at Boston Publishing Company, co-authoring two books in The Vietnam Experience series. He moved into advancement work, first at the Baltimore Museum of Art and then in academia, where he spent nearly three decades of leadership at three other liberal arts institutions-Franklin & Marshall College, Wesleyan University, and Skidmore Collegebefore arriving at Trinity. President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, in a letter to the community after Casey's passing, wrote, "A smart, strategic leader, Michael was a consummate professional and expert in the fields of fundraising, alumni engagement, and institutional planning. His work deserves the highest accolades."

Casey is survived by his wife of 36 years, Janet; children Liam and Fiona; and siblings Ned (Manda) and Mary. He was predeceased by brother Joseph (Ellie).

siblings Sylvia Gardner and Robert Gardner.

1977 Richard D. Weiman, 68, of Boulder, Colorado, died on June 17, 2023.

Weiman earned a B.A. in philosophy and went on to a career in real estate.

Weiman is survived by sons Jason Weiman and Derek Weiman, former wife Teresa Smith, and partner Helen Dohrman.

1978 David J. Rowland, 67, of New York City, died on August 15, 2023.

Rowland earned a B.A. in political science before earning a J.D. from New York Law School and a diploma in advanced international legal studies from the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law. He spent more than three decades specializing in international legal transactions, including cases involving the recovery of art stolen by Nazis.

Rowland is survived by his mother, Barbara, and sisters Leslie (William Jacques) and Liz (Paul Gagne).

For more on Rowland's work, please visit trincollreporter.online/Rowland.

**1979 George T. Griswold Jr.**, 66, of Metairie, Louisiana, died on August 12, 2023.

Griswold earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and served as editor-in-chief of the Isy. He worked for many years as a videographer and editor at a TV station before launching a career as owner and operator of Video Now, with clients including CBS, NBC, and the Food Network.

Griswold is survived by his wife of 31 years, Tracy, and sisters Susan Griswold, Carolyn Dixon (W. Randall), and Rebecca Griswold (Antonio Caruso).

1984 Katherine VanWagenen Sperry, 60, of Darien, Connecticut, died on September 1, 2023.

Sperry earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta. She went on to earn an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. Her work life included time at General Electric Capital Corporation.

Sperry is survived by her husband of 31 years, Bill; children Kara, Megan, and Billy; and siblings Bert VanWagenen, Pam Sweret, Sue McIntosh, and Liz Papile.

**1987 Michael A. Posternak**, 57, of Sharon, Massachusetts, died on July 2, 2023.

Posternak earned a B.A. in philosophy. He went on earn an M.D. from Boston University School of Medicine. Posternak spent most of his career in a private psychiatric practice in Wellesley, Massachusetts. For the past 10 years, he volunteered his time with the Give an Hour foundation, providing free mental health services to veterans.

Posternak is survived by children Alysha and Zach and brothers Barry and Daniel.

1993 Kirsten Kowalski-Lane, 52, of Florence, Massachusetts, died on June 27, 2023.

Kowalski-Lane earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where she held leadership positions in the Student Government Association, served as editorin-chief of The Trinity Tripod, and participated in the Concert Choir. After attending graduate school in public policy, she became a doula and then a homebirth midwife. Kowalski-Lane went on to Yale University, where she became a certified nurse midwife and women's health nurse practitioner. She was the owner and service director of Seven Sisters Midwifery and Community Birth Center.

Kowalski-Lane is survived by husband Jonathan Lane '93 and children William and Grace. 1998 James J. Brennan, 46, of New York City, died on July 2, 2023.

Brennan earned a B.A. in interdisciplinary computing with economics before earning a J.D. from Northwestern University. He worked as an associate in commercial litigation at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison and then as counsel at Wollmuth Maher & Deutsch.

Brennan is survived by wife Linda Cho, children Harry and Callie, and siblings Maryanne Gaffney (Charlie), Andrew Brennan (Polly Giragosian), and Michael Brennan (Valerie Courtois).

**2000 Marjorie K. "Kimmy" Clark**, 45, of Washington, D.C., died on June 2, 2023.

Clark earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where she served as captain of the rugby team. She went on earn an M.S. in special education from Johns Hopkins University before launching a career working with children with development challenges. Clark served as director of the Autism Program at The Ivymount School, where she worked for 23 years.

Clark is survived by husband Timothy Pilotte, children Annie Clark and Tommy Clark, mother Delia Clark (Alan Platt), father Robert Clark III (Toni Allen), and brothers Willy Clark and Roger Platt (Frieda Arenos).

**2010 Christopher J. Andreozzi**, 35, of Hamden, Connecticut, died on May 23, 2023.

Andreozzi earned a B.S. in psychology from Trinity, where he played baseball. He graduated from the Yale University School of Nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse in child and adolescent psychiatry and then served as a psychiatric APRN at Yale-New Haven Hospital.

Andreozzi is survived by the love of his life, Lauren

Fenningdorf; parents Richard and Anna Andreozzi; and siblings Ryan Andreozzi and Kerry Andreozzi.

#### IDP

**1984 Elizabeth V. Anderson**, 92, of Southington, Connecticut, died on August 17, 2023.

Anderson worked for several organizations, including the UConn School of Medicine and the State of Connecticut Department of Income Maintenance, before earning a B.A. in religion. She later worked for Christian Conference of Connecticut.

Anderson is survived by children Peter (Margaret), David (Rosemary), and Elaine (Warren McGrath); two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband of 61 years, Leonard; siblings Robert Varney and Marian Connors; son-in-law Harry Lemasters; and a grandson.

**1989 Linda P. Morelli**, 80, of Charlton, Massachusetts, died on August 8, 2023.

Morelli earned a B.A. in religion from Trinity, where she served as the IDP representative to the Student Government Association. She went on to work in real estate at Griffin Properties.

Morelli is survived by sons Paul Morelli Jr. (Donna Jean) and Gary Morelli (Hinde); five grandchildren; two great-granddaughters; and siblings Dominic Addario Jr., Joanne Stone, and Paulette Brogna.

**1998 Cornelius M. Dowd**, 70, of Worcester, Massachusetts, died on June 12, 2023.

Dowd studied at Manchester Community College before earning a B.A. in psychology from Trinity. He went on to earn an M.S.W. from Fordham University and to practice as a licensed clinical social worker.

Dowd is survived by siblings John, Kathy, and James

(Mariann) and his former wife of 20 years, Rosemary.

#### **MASTER'S**

**1963 Wayne G. Reilly**, 88, of Roanoke, Virginia, died on May 29, 2023.

Reilly earned an undergraduate degree from Middlebury College, an M.A. in political science from Trinity, and a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. He served in the U.S. Army before embarking on a teaching career, first at Washington and Lee University and then for 33 years at Hollins University.

Reilly is survived by his wife of 62 years, Pamela; sons Stephen (Lucy Wall) and Peter (Vicki); and four grandchildren.

**1965 Lawrence Werner**, 86, of Vernon, Connecticut, died on June 25, 2023.

Werner earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from City College of New York before working at Boeing in Washington state and then at Pratt & Whitney in Connecticut. At Trinity, he earned an M.S. in physics. Werner later started his own chemical business, which he ran until his retirement.

Werner is survived by his wife of 62 years, Phyllis; children Arlene Werner and Scott Werner (Beth); a grandson; and brother Jerome Werner (Penny).

**1967 A. Austin Albert**, 89, of North Haven, Connecticut, died on July 21, 2023.

Albert earned a B.A. from Bowdoin College and an M.A. in Latin from Trinity. He taught for a year at The Taft School before being drafted into the U.S. Army. Once back in the States, Albert began a 38-year career on the faculty of Hopkins School, where he taught Latin and served as head of the language department.

Albert is survived by children Maureen Desrosiers (Jean), James Albert, Andrew Albert (Tracey), Jo-Ann Manning (John), and David Albert (Denise); 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and brother Andrew Albert.

1968 Arthur M. "Buck" Lawton, 83, of Bloomfield, Connecticut, died on September 21, 2023.

Lawton earned a B.A. in government from Colby College and an M.A. in history from Trinity before serving in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve. He served as head of Brookwood School for many years.

Lawton is survived by his wife of 60 years, Natalie; children Jonathan (Wendy) and Melissa (David); three grandchildren; and sister Marsha.

**1968 Joelle H. McLean**, 97, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on September 16, 2023.

McLean earned a B.A. from Vassar College and graduated from the Harvard-Radcliffe Program in Business Administration before earning an M.A. in history from Trinity. She spent her work life in personnel administration.

McLean is survived by children Laurie McLean (Earl Landesman), Andy McLean (Mike Burnham), and Mary McLean (Rita Cortes); two grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter. She was predeceased by husband Lauchlin McLean.

**1969 Charles C. Alexander**, 87, of South Dartmouth, Massachusetts, died on June 19, 2023.

Alexander earned a B.A. from Williams College, an M.A.T. from Harvard University, and an M.A. in Latin from Trinity. After teaching at Phillips Academy Andover and William Penn Charter School, Alexander launched a 48-year career on the faculty of Groton School, where he served as a teacher, coach, and adviser.

Alexander is survived by his wife of 65 years, Ann;

children Sarah MacEachern (John), C. Christian Alexander Jr. (Harriet), and Katherine Sears '91 (Nathaniel); and nine grandchildren. He was predeceased by daughter Elizabeth Alexander and brother William Alexander Jr.

**1971 Peter J. Hopkins**, 88, of Haverford, Pennsylvania, died on April 11, 2023.

Hopkins served in the British Merchant Navy before emigrating to the United States and earning a B.A. from La Salle University. He went on to work for Travelers Insurance and then Sun Oil, from which he retired in 1999. While working, Hopkins earned an M.A. in economics from Trinity.

Hopkins is survived by children Christopher (Anne) and Susan (Bryan) and five grand-children. He was predeceased by his wife of 56 years, Marie, and his brother, David.

**1971 Jane F. Seraphin**, 94, of Hartford, Connecticut, died on June 25, 2023.

Seraphin earned a B.A. from Saint Joseph College and an M.A. in political science from Trinity. She had a 26-year career with the State of Connecticut Department of Social Services.

Seraphin is survived by many cousins and other extended family members.

**1981 Lorraine S. Ferrero**, 73, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, died on July 13, 2023.

Ferrero earned a B.S. in education from the University of Hartford and an M.A. in English from Trinity. She also did postgraduate work at Birkbeck, University of London. Ferrero had a 35-year teaching career at Windsor High School, where she also mentored athletes as the academic eligibility adviser, until her retirement in 2010.

Ferrero is survived by husband Frank; children Christopher (Susan), Catherine Wood, and David (Randi); and six grandchildren.

**1995 Barbara J. Beeching**, 94, of Bloomfield, Connecticut, died on July 6, 2023.

Beeching earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri, an M.A. in history from Trinity, and a Ph.D. in history from the University of Connecticut. She spent much of her career at the Connecticut Office of Tourism; she also spoke and wrote about Connecticut history, including authoring Hopes and Expectations: The Origins of the Black Middle Class in Hartford.

Beeching is survived by children Sean, Stephen, Deirdre, Angela, Maud, and Simon; seven grandchildren; and siblings Pinky and Tom. She was predeceased by husband Paul.

**1996 Anne Wysowski**, 66, of Royersford, Pennsylvania, died on June 16, 2023.

Wysowski earned a bachelor's degree from the University of New Haven and an M.A. in English from Trinity. She taught English at Teikyo Post University, Pope John Paul II School, and St. Bridget School.

Wysowski is survived by her husband of nearly 40 years, Steven; children Amy Wysowski and Brian Wysowski (Meredith); two granddaughters; siblings Maureen Foster (Will) and Kevin Doherty; and sister-in-law Mary Ann Sahms (Craig).

# **HONORARY DEGREES**

1994 Lowell P. Weicker Jr., 92, of Old Lyme, Connecticut, died on June 28, 2023.

Weicker earned a bachelor's degree from Yale University and a law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law. He also served in the U.S. Army. Weicker practiced law in Greenwich, Connecticut, before moving into government, where his service included time in the Connecticut General Assembly,

as a U.S. representative, and as a U.S. senator. In the latter role, he introduced the Americans with Disabilities Act. Weicker also served as the 85th governor of Connecticut and was known as a supporter of abortion rights and of social services, such as schoolbased health clinics. He later served as founding president of the Trust for Public Health, which advocates for a strong public health system. Weicker received an honorary doctor of laws degree from Trinity, one of several honorary degrees he was given in recognition of his accomplishments.

Weicker is survived by his wife of 38 years, Claudia; sons Scot, Gray, Brian, Sonny, and Tre; stepsons Mason and Andrew Ingram '05; 12 grandchildren, including Brooke Weicker '12; four great-grandchildren; and sister Mary Audrey Mellor.

**2008 John E. Simmons III**; please see far right.

**2015 JoAnne A. Epps** '73; please see page 72.

**FORMER TRUSTEES Richard W. Stockton** '60; please see page 71.

**JoAnne A. Epps** '73, H'15; please see page 72.

# FORMER FACULTY

W. Miller Brown, 86, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, professor of philosophy, emeritus, and former dean of the faculty, died on July 26, 2023.

Brown earned a B.A. in philosophy from Amherst College and spent the following year in France as a Rotary Fellow, receiving a certificat d'etudes superieures from the University of Paris. He went on to serve as a lecturer in French at Boston University and as a teaching fellow in general education (natural sciences) at Harvard University. In 1965, Brown joined the Trinity faculty as an instructor in

philosophy. After earning a Ph.D. in philosophy from Harvard University in 1970, he was promoted to assistant professor and rose through the ranks to full professor in 1983. Brown served as chair of the Philosophy Department three times and led faculty committees on appointments and promotions, educational policy, academic freedom, and faculty research. He also served as dean of the faculty from January 1999 to July 2004, with the first year as an interim. In addition, he served as director of the graduate program in public policy, coordinated the cognitive sciences minor, taught in the Interdisciplinary Science Program, and served on the Pre-Law and Health Professions Advisory Committees. Brown, who retired in 2015, also lectured extensively on the philosophy of science and the philosophy of sport.

Brown's survivors include wife Hilary, daughters Mara and Shana, and Hilary's children.

**James K. Heeren**, 94, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, professor of chemistry, emeritus, died on June 15, 2023.

After attending evening classes at Trinity while working for the American Hardware Corporation, Heeren went on to Tufts University, where he earned a B.S. in chemistry and an M.S. He then served in the U.S. Navy and later worked as a chemist for American Cyanamid Company. Heeren earned a Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and then served as a fellow in MIT's School of Advanced Study for a year before arriving at Trinity, where he taught chemistry from 1962 until his retirement in 1995; his area of expertise was organic chemistry, and he was awarded at least one patent for his work.

Heeren is survived by wife Jean, daughter Amy Mignone '89 (Marcus '88); stepchildren Cori Caputo and Douglas VanNorden (Julianne); two grandchildren, including James Mignone '22; two step-grandchildren; and brothers-in-law David Nicol and Paul Rinaldi (Joan). He was predeceased by his first wife, Carole, and his sister, Helen Heeren.

Ralph Morelli, 75, of Cary, North Carolina, professor of computer science, emeritus, died on July 14, 2023.

Morelli earned a B.A. in math-

ematics from the University of Connecticut and three degrees from the University of Hawaii: an M.A. in philosophy, a Ph.D. in philosophy, and an M.S. in computer science. He joined the Trinity faculty in 1985 as the first tenure-track hire in computer science and the first director of the Computer Science Program. Morelli was promoted to associate professor with tenure in 1991 and to full professor in 2004. He led the effort to establish the program as a department and then served as the first department chair; he also played a key role in establishing the cognitive science minor. Morelli, who also taught at the Trinity College Rome Campus, was honored with the Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence in 2008. The co-author of multiple books received numerous grants, including several from the National Science Foundation (NSF) for the Humanitarian Free and Open-Source Software (HFOSS) project. He also was a founding member of the Mobile CSP project, an NSFfunded effort to train high school instructors to teach "AP Computer Science." Morelli was an integral member of the Trinity College community until his retirement in 2016.

Morelli is survived by his wife, Choong Lan How, who worked briefly in Trinity's Office of the Dean of Students; daughters Meisha Morelli (Sudeep Mandal) and Alicia Morelli '06 (Rayn Sakaguchi '07); and four grandchildren.

Diane L. Northrup, 90, of Needham, Massachusetts, a former visiting lecturer in mathematics, died on December 22, 2022.

Northrup majored in actuarial mathematics at Pembroke College of Brown University and later earned an M.Ed. from the University of Hartford. After working at New England Mutual Life and the MIT Lincoln Laboratory, she taught math in West Hartford Public Schools and at Trinity College and Glastonbury High School.

Northrup is survived by children Melanie and Dana (Kristen), six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

John E. Simmons III, 87, of West Hartford, Connecticut, professor of biology, emeritus, died on September 5, 2023.

Simmons earned a B.S. in biology from Morehouse College, an M.S. from Syracuse University, and a Ph.D. from Colorado State University (CSU). Prior to completing his doctoral program, he served as an assistant professor of biology at Western College for Women in Ohio and as a research associate at the Washington Hospital Center, Department of Clinical Pharmacology. With his Ph.D. in hand, Simmons served as an assistant professor at CSU before joining the faculty at Trinity, where he was named associate professor of biology in 1972. During the 1974-75 academic year, he served as a visiting professor at Kuwait University. Simmons was awarded tenure soon after his return to the College and was promoted to full professor in 1983. He retired in 1997 after 25 years of teaching physiology, endocrinology, and neuroscience and conducting research in neuroendocrinology. Simmons's accolades include being awarded a Fulbright grant

for the 1982-83 academic year to teach physiology at Gezira University in Sudan. Trinity awarded him an honorary doctor of science degree in 2008, citing his training of innumerable research students who went on to excel as physicians, dentists, and research scholars in pharmaceuticals and other science fields. His portrait in the Albert C. Jacobs Life Sciences Center, commissioned by the College in 2003, honors him as the first Black individual in Trinity history to be promoted to full professor.

Simmons is survived by niece Donna Cannon, Wendell Cannon, and nephew Kenneth Page Jr. He was predeceased by sister Altamese Cannon.

### FORMER STAFF

**Ivan Backer**, 94, of Hartford, Connecticut, died on July 1, 2023.

Backer earned a B.A. in history from Moravian College and bachelor's and master's degrees from Union and General Theological Seminaries. He joined the Trinity community in 1969 as the College's first director of community affairs. Backer later became director of graduate and special programs and helped develop a master's program in public policy studies. He founded and later served as executive director of the Southside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance (SINA), a partnership that today comprises Trinity, Hartford Hospital, and Connecticut Children's Medical Center. Backer retired in 1999 but continued his work as a community leader and activist, including helping to launch an adult learning program. He also authored My Train to Freedom: A Jewish Boy's Journey from Nazi Europe to a Life of Activism.

Backer is survived by his life partner of 20 years, Paula Fisher; children Karen Bird, Deborah Fortunato, and Timothy Backer; and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Carolyn and brother Frank Backer.

Ernesto H. Blanco, 94, of Hartford, Connecticut, died on December 28, 2022.

Blanco served as a foreman for Buildings and Grounds after serving in the Argentinian Navy.

Blanco is survived by his wife of 56 years, Julia; sons Hugo, Ramon (Wendy Bayona), and Vicente (Barbara Salvador); and five granddaughters. He was predeceased by sister Yolanda Baba-Berberian.

#### **DEATH NOTICES**

- 1939 Arthur R. Cushman
- 1941 Charles J. Barolis
- 1941 William G. Devine
- 1941 Ralph S. Grover
- 1952 Arthur B. French
- 1956 Hugh E. Crilly III
- 1956 Barry T. Haff
- 1956 Ronald A. Warren
- 1958 C. Warren Ormerod
- 1960 Frederick W. Wagner III
- 1970 John F. Siblev
- 1970 John F. Sibley
- 1972 Carl L. Prather 1973 Diane Hill Prather
- 1982 Cathy L. Rocca
- 1962 Gatny L. Rocca
- 1987 Lynwood H. Branham Jr.
- M.A. 1947 Stacia M. Balazy
- M.S. 1968 Leonard E. Mellberg

#### **IN MEMORY GUIDELINES**

We will not announce the death of a community member without first confirming with a previously published obituary or direct notification from a relative. Also, those who passed away more than two years prior to the date of publication will be listed in Death Notices, along with those for whom we do not have enough information for a longer obituary.