IN MEMORY

1938, HON. 1975 S. Prestley Blake, 106, of Stuart, Florida, died on February 11, 2021. Blake attended Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi, before he and his brother co-founded an ice cream shop—with a $547 loan from their parents—that went on to become the Friendly’s ice cream and restaurant company. The brothers later sold the business to Hershey Corporation for a reported $164 million. Blake published an autobiography, A Friendly Life, with Alan Farnham, in 2011. Trinity honored Blake in 1975 with an honorary doctor of laws degree.

Blake is survived by his wife, Helen; children Benson Blake and Nancy Yanakakis; several grandchildren; and sister and step-grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a great-grandson.


Wittman earned a B.A. in political science and history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and the Glee Club and worked at WRTC. He joined the U.S. Army Reserve and was recruited into the CIA. Wittman later took over the family’s mining and international trade business, incorporated it as G.H. Wittman, and shifted its focus to political and economic consulting. Later work experience included serving as founding chair of the National Institute for Public Policy, lecturing at the FBI Academy, and authoring several novels, including A Matter of Intelligence.

Wittman is survived by his children, Anne Wittman, Hope Martin (Catherine Manegold), George Wittman (John Koch), and James Wittman (Laurie); two grandsons; and sister Carolyn Gordon (Thomas). He was predeceased by his first wife, Joyce, and his second wife, Geraldine.

1952 Giraud V. Foster, M.D., 92, of Baltimore died on December 3, 2020.

Foster earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the Chemistry Club and took part in fencing. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of London and an M.D. from the University of Maryland. Foster was an endocrinologist at Johns Hopkins and, through the international nonprofit Jhpiego, helped many women with fertility issues. After retirement, he published three books of photography.

Foster is survived by his wife, Nancy; children Cindy McCollum and Rob Wilson; two grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

1952 Albert L. Magnoli Sr., 92, of Newton, Connecticut, died on September 19, 2020.

Magnoli earned an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club and played football. Magnoli went on to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps and later to work for the E.J. Davis Company for 26 years. Magnoli is survived by his wife of 71 years, Marian; children Albert Jr., Linda (Robert Germain), Carol (John Lawlor), Thomas (Anna), and Janet (John Bergstrom); 13 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Marilyn Magnoli; and brother Louis (Janice). He was predeceased by daughter Sharon and siblings Angeline (Tony Bartomioli), Lena (Frank Wicz), William (Gemma), Frank (Iida), and John.

1953 Theodore A. Barnett, 89, of Lewes, Delaware, died on December 3, 2020.

After earning a B.A. in Spanish from Trinity, Barnett joined the U.S. Army. He later worked for the DuPont Company and Delmarva Power & Light.

Barnett is survived by his wife, Ruth; children Andrew Barnett (Ellen), Theodore Barnett Jr. (Alice), Julie Lamborn (Michael), and Molly Kerin (Chas); 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; stepchildren Bob Heisler (Colleen), Bruce Heisler (Phyllis), and Janet Diamond; six step-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Carol, and his twin brother, Kenneth Barnett ’53.

1953 Robert A. Barrows, 90, of Matthews, North Carolina, died on January 14, 2021.

Barrows earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and the football team. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army before starting his longtime career in human resources.

Barrows is survived by his children, Robert, Edward, Amy, and David (Carolina), and nine grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Katharine; two siblings; and daughter-in-law Sharon Barrows.


Kennedy earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and the Newman Club and played soccer. He later served in the U.S. Air Force and went on to a long career in the securities industry.

Kennedy is survived by his wife of 64 years, Jane; children Ann Kennedy and William Kennedy; two grandchildren; and brother Malcolm Kennedy.


Mackay, one of the first blind students to graduate from the college, earned a B.A. in music. He was a member of Alpha Delta Phi, the Glee Club, and the band and worked at WRTC and on the staff of The Trinity Tripod. Mackay went on to a career as an acclaimed jazz pianist and singer-songwriter.

Mackay is survived by his wife, Melissa, and his brother, Donald Logan (Doris).


After attending Trinity, Marriner became an accomplished fine arts carpenter; he and his wife owned The Carpenter’s Shop in Dublin, New Hampshire, where he crafted Shaker box reproductions and furniture.

Marriner is survived by his wife of 63 years, Cynthia; daughters Melinda Luther (Jim), Mandy Bradford (Dana), and Lisa Hoekstra (Peter); six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
1955 John J. Hodge, 87, of Syracuse, New York, died on January 15, 2021. Hodge earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, the Concert Choir, the Chapel Singers, the Glee Club, and the Trinity Pipes. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army. Hodge retired as a senior insurance premium auditor.

Hodge is survived by his wife, Anina; children John Hodge Jr. (Pamela), Anina Lapp, and Carolyn Taylor (Glenn); and six grandchildren.


McCrea earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and the Jesters and played squash. He went on to be a longtime educator and wrestling coach at University School.

McCrea is survived by his children, M. Louise Kudrna (Jeffrey) and Kent McCrea, and two grandchildren.


Diefendorf earned a B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, the Concert Choir, and the Chapel Singers. He went on to join the family business, Diefendorf Gear Corporation, where he worked until his 2000 retirement.

Diefendorf is survived by his wife of 33 years, Bonnie; children W. Henry Diefendorf and Caroline Diefendorf; stepchildren William Stratton (Meg), Ronald Stratton (Michelle), and Kelly Coates (finacé Robert Thomson); five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and brothers Peter Diefendorf (Karen), Arthur Diefendorf (Georgia), and Andrew Diefendorf (Linda). He was predeceased by his brother and sister-in-law, Donald and Roswitha Diefendorf.


Limplitlaw earned a B.A. in economics and English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the band. He went on to work in human resources for more than three decades, first at Marine Midland Trust and most recently as vice president of human resources at Macmillan Publishing. Following his retirement, he earned an M.A. from Yale Divinity School and served as vicar of the Parish of Christ Church in Easton Connecticut for several years. The loyal alumnus served the college on the Board of Fellows; he also was a member of the Elms Society.

Limplitlaw is survived by his wife of 60 years, Susan; daughters Alison Light ’84 (Robert) and Amy Limplitlaw ’86; and three grandchildren.

1956 Alan R. Schaertel, 85, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, died on September 25, 2019.

Schaertel earned a B.A. in modern languages from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and the Glee Club and worked at WRTC. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force. He worked for the Associated Press Radio for many years.


Turner earned a B.A. in English and studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and the Jesters and played soccer and baseball. He later earned an M.B.A. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Turner served in the U.S. Navy before starting his two-decade career at Aetna. He then moved to American Reinsurance.

Turner is survived by his wife of nearly 60 years, Kathryn; children Christopher, Lisa (Ed), and Stephanie (Chris); eight grandchildren; and brother David Turner (Sally).


Von Molnar earned a B.S. in physics from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu, the Trinity Pipes, and the soccer and track teams. He went on to earn an M.S. from the University of Maine at Augusta and a Ph.D. in physics from the University of California, Riverside. After working as an experimental physicist at the IBM Watson Research Center and teaching overseas, von Molnar served as a professor of physics at Florida State University, where he taught until retiring in 2013.

Von Molnar is survived by sons Christopher (Aja) and Marc (Jennifer) and one granddaughter. He was predeceased by his wife, Jean.


Kilty earned a B.S. in physics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, the Newman Club, and the band. He taught in Connecticut schools and earned an M.A. in educational studies from the college. Kilty went on to be a school administrator around the world, including time in Japan, Turkey, the U.K., Belgium, and Germany. Kilty is survived by his wife of 54 years, Olun. He was predeceased by brother John Kilty ’52.


Studley earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi, played soccer, and worked at WRTC. After taking part in ROTC, he served as a rescue command pilot in the U.S. Air Force, earning two Distinguished Flying Crosses and eight Air Medals. Studley went on to work for more than 20 years in sales at Imtra, a marine equipment company.

Studley is survived by his children, Jeffrey Studley (Suzanne Morris) and Elizabeth Bentley (Nigel); four grandchildren; and sister Barbara Barnett. He was predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Corky.

1959 Frederic K. Houston, 84, of Buffalo, New York, died on December 10, 2020.

Houston earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, the Glee Club, and the staff of the Ivy. After completing a master’s degree at the University of Pennsylvania, he moved to Buffalo and began his life’s work as an architect, which culminated at the firm—now HHL Architects—that he co-founded in 1969. He also taught architecture at the University of Buffalo for nearly two decades.

Houston is survived by his wife, Marie; children Thomas Houston ’89 and Virginia Meenan; and four grandchildren.


Nolan earned a B.A. in educational studies and English. He went on to earn a master’s of divinity from Hartford Seminary, an M.A. from Yale University, and a Ph.D. from New York University. Much of his career was spent as a professor of philosophy and sociology at Naugatuck Valley Community College. Nolan was a retired honorary canon of Christ Church in Hartford and pastor emeritus of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Bantam. The dedicated alumnus was a member of Trinity’s Elms Society.

Nolan is survived by his husband, Robert Pingpank ’59.

1960 Roger A. Leclerc, 84, of Agawam, Massachusetts, died on January 22, 2021.

Leclerc earned a B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and the Newman Club. He also played football and baseball for the Bantams; he was honored for the former by being named a football Little All-American and for the latter with the Dan Webster Team MVP Award. He went on to play eight years in the NFL, including as a part of the 1963 NFL Championship Chicago Bears team. Leclerc later taught for three decades in the Agawam public schools and, after
retirement, worked at Southwick Community College. In 2019, in recognition of LeClerc’s athletic prowess, Trinity named him as one of the inaugural inductees to the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame.

LeClerc is survived by his wife of 61 years, Frances; sons Rick (Karen) and Dean (Eileenmari); five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and sisters Veronica and Deborah DePalma (Nick). He was predeceased by brother Ludger.


Temple studied at Trinity before moving on to the University of Pennsylvania. He earned a D.D.S. and served in the U.S. Army Dental Corps. Temple went on to practice dentistry in Harvard, Massachusetts, and later in Pepperell.

Temple is survived by his wife, Diane; sons Mark Temple (Cheryl) and Jonathan Temple (Kathleen) and Thomas Temple.


Sullivan earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the Senate and was a debate champion. He went on to earn a law degree from Columbia University and began his career as an attorney in Warren, Ohio, where he also served in various local government positions. After serving as the founder and executive director of the Western Reserve Economic Development Agency and founding the Steel Communities Coalition, Sullivan joined the Reagan Administration as chief enforcement officer of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Sullivan is survived by his wife of 53 years, Anne; children William Sullivan III (Nancy ’89), Kate Richards (Dave), and Sean Sullivan; two grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; several step-great-grandchildren; and sister Dorothy Ann Plasky (Bill).

**1963 Philip W. Correll,** 78, of Brick Township, New Jersey, died on October 13, 2020.

Correll earned a B.A. in economics and modern languages from Trinity, where he was a member of the Glee Club and worked at WRTC. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Correll is survived by his children, Gregory Correll, Alicia Harding, and Laura King, and nine grandchildren.

**1963 David M. Post,** 79, of Rock Hall, Maryland, died on July 6, 2020.

Post earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, before being drafted into the U.S. Air Force to serve in the Vietnam War. He went on to be a flight instructor and later a boat builder. Post and his wife of 45 years founded the contracting company Tidewater Joinery.

Post is survived by wife Barry; children Duncan, Robin, and Julie; two grandchildren; and sister Ann Kidd.

**1963 Donald C. Winfield,** 78, of Warwick, Rhode Island, died on June 21, 2019.

Winfield earned a B.A. in economics before launching a long career in banking and finance, which he capped by starting his own financial investment advising firm. He retired in 2014.

Winfield is survived by his wife, Deborah; children Katherine Shubert, Laura Cokely, Eleanor Hawley, and Stephanie Diltz; 14 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and sister Shelley McKay. He was predeceased by son Donald.

**1965 Thomas B. Jansen,** 78, of Westport, Massachusetts, died on January 2, 2021.

Jansen earned a B.A. in modern languages from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and the Trinity Pipes. He went on to serve in the Army National Guard. Jansen was music manager at Trinity Church in Boston before retiring in 2009.

Jansen is survived by his wife, Barbara; children Thomas Jansen (Lisa Snow) and Laura Slingerland (Paul); three grandchildren; and siblings Trintje Jansen, Caroline Knox, and Nicholas.


Brand earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of Rochester. Brand was a research neuroscientist at the Monell Center in Philadelphia for nearly 50 years, studying the sense of taste in humans and other animals; he was known internationally for his research on cats.

Brand is survived by his wife, Gail Corrado, M.D.; children Megan Brand (Tim Berry) and Andrew Brand (Rhonda Ciotto); stepdaughter Lisa Cannon (Brian); and a grandson. He was predeceased by his sister, Mary Frances Cressman.


Cruson earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he worked at WRTC and took part in fencing. He stayed at the college, earning an M.A. in educational studies. Cruson taught history, anthropology, and economics for 37 years at Joel Barlow High School—his alma mater—and later served for 25 years as the first town historian of Newtown. He also authored several books about Newtown and Connecticut.

Cruson is survived by his sons, Daniel, Thomas, and Benjamin; two grandchildren; daughter-in-law Bethany; and ex-wife Carolyn. He was predeceased by brother Pieter.


McConnell earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and played basketball. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. McConnell worked for more than four decades in the financial services and investment industry, including time at Cigna Financial Services and New England Mutual. He also was a founding member of the Futurity First Insurance Group.

McConnell is survived by his wife, Joy; children Erin (Chad), Zach (Beth), and Dusty (Lindsay); five grandchildren; mother-in-law CC; brother Ched (Maureen); and first wife Karen.


Hill earned a B.A. in classical studies from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Mu Delta. His work life included time at White Brothers Rose Corporation, Geneseo Co-op Federal Credit Union, and the Rochester Public Library.

Hill is survived by brothers James Hill (Janel) and Peter Hill (Kathleen Zinzel).


Russell earned a B.A. in English from Trinity; she was one of a group of four women who were the first to receive undergraduate degrees from the institution. She also earned undergraduate degrees from Barnard College and Hebrew University, as well as an M.A. in English from Trinity, a Ph.D. in English literature from the University of Connecticut, and an M.S.W. from Smith College. A longtime practicing psychotherapist and licensed clinical social worker, Russell worked extensively in the mental health arena, including a decade as executive director of the Rape Crisis Center of Berkshire County in Massachusetts, where she
Wiswall earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon. He also played soccer and studied abroad in Rome.


Walden earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where she played field hockey. She went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Connecticut. Walden enjoyed a 40-year career in the insurance industry with more than three decades at Aetna in various positions, including project manager, quality assurance, and requirements analyst.

Walden is survived by her brothers, David (Betsy), Michael (Karen), and Peter (Jean).


Nolen earned a B.S. in economics and mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club and the swimming team. He went on to earn an M.A. in economics and a Ph.D. in social sciences, both from Cornell University. Nolen was an economics professor at the University of Essex for the past 14 years. He published widely and served as editor of the *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*.

Nolen is survived by his mother, Janet Nolen, and brothers Michael Nolen (Michelle), Andy Price (J.R.), Robert Nolen, Timothy Nolen, and Christopher Nolen.

**2018 Mary B. Cherna**, 27, of Denver, died on December 16, 2020.

Cherna earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, spending a semester in Prague studying European history.

Cherna is survived by her parents, Courtney Warrick and Andrew Cherna; siblings Andrew Cherna and Regan Cherna ’14; and grandmothers Anne Kline and Janet Warrick.


Popkin earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he played lacrosse. He went on to earn a J.D. from Georgetown University.


Frederick 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 commercial real estate, most recently at Cushman & Wakefield as a vice chairman. The dedicated alumnus served on his fraternity’s Alumni Board and as a career adviser.

Frederick is survived by his wife, Doreen Franco; children Cole Frederick, Tyler Frederick ’23, and Bobby Fitzgerald ’12; stepdaughter Kendall Franco; and brothers Richard Frederick (Holly), Paul Frederick, and Craig Frederick (Laura).


Radacsi earned a B.A. from Boston University and attended the University of Chicago. He earned an M.A. in public policy from Trinity during his 33-year career as a planner with the State of Connecticut; he was instrumental in developing and implementing multiple environmental plans. Radacsi also served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Radacsi is survived by his wife of 54 years, Geri M’74; daughter Sara (Matthew Fox); five grandchildren; and brothers Daniel (Marilyn) and Jerald (Susan).

**HONORARY DOCTORATES**

**1975 S. Prestley Blake ’38**, 106, of Stuart, Florida, died on February 11, 2021. Please see page 1 for Blake’s obituary.

**2020 Roberta J. Russell ’70, M’72**, 73, of Lenox, Massachusetts, died on January 26, 2021. Please see page 3 for Russell’s obituary.
FORMER FACULTY
Frederick K. Errington, 80, of Amherst, Massachusetts, died on January 9, 2021.

Errington, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology, Emeritus, earned a B.A. from Wesleyan University and a Ph.D. from Cornell University, both in anthropology. A member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi, he began his teaching career at Amherst College and went on to hold faculty positions at Keene State College and Mount Holyoke College, as well as visiting positions elsewhere, before coming to Trinity in 1993 as Charles A. Dana Professor of Anthropology. Soon after, the faculty approved the creation of the anthropology major. In 2001, Errington was named Distinguished Professor of Anthropology. He retired in 2009. While at Trinity, Errington and his wife, Deborah B. Gewertz, G. Henry Whitcomb Professor of Anthropology, received grant funding from the National Science Foundation for ethnographic research on the social and cultural changes occurring among the Chambri people of Papua New Guinea that eventually led to one of six books that the couple co-wrote, Cheap Meat: Flap Food Nations in the Pacific Islands. He also authored two other books and numerous journal articles.

Errington is survived by Deborah and brother Peter Errington. He was predeceased by daughter Alexis Shepard.

Dirk Adriaan “Dutch” Kuyk Jr., 86, of Chester, Massachusetts, and Charlottesville, Virginia, died on January 22, 2021.

Kuyk, professor of English, Emeritus, earned a B.A. from the University of Virginia before working as a reporter for the Richmond News Leader. He began his teaching career at Wykeham Rise School and later launched his lifelong teaching career at St. Christopher’s School, continuing on at Wykeham Rise School and Thayer Academy. After earning a Ph.D. from Brandeis University in 1970, Kuyk joined the Trinity faculty. During his time at the college, which lasted for four decades until his 2010 retirement, he served as English Department chair for five years and as a longtime member of the IDP Council, teaching IDP transitional seminars and advising IDP students. He also taught in Trinity’s graduate program.

Kuyk founded the college’s Writing Center and was instrumental in creating the interdisciplinary Tutorial College, an experimental program for sophomores that explored issues in the liberal arts. In 1998, he was awarded the Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence. Kuyk’s many publications included two books on the literature of William Faulkner, Suitpen’s Design: Interpreting Faulkner’s Absalom, Absalom!, and Threads Cable-strong: William Faulkner’s Go Down, Moses. Outside of Trinity, he founded The Writing Consultants, a company focused on teaching writing to managers in the insurance, banking, and engineering industries.

Kuyk is survived by his wife, Betty; son Dirk III ’81 and his family; and sister Martha Kuyk Hull and her family.

FORMER STAFF
Jeffrey H. Kaimowitz, 78, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on November 9, 2020.

Kaimowitz, a longtime curator and director of the Watkinson Library and member of its Board of Trustees, earned a B.A. from Johns Hopkins University and a Ph.D. from the University of Cincinnati, both in classical languages, Latin and Greek. He also spent a year studying in Greece at the American School for Classical Studies at Athens. Kaimowitz’s numerous academic honors included being elected to Phi Beta Kappa and winning a Fulbright Scholarship and a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship. After teaching Latin for several years at Miami University in Ohio and later at Trinity, he shifted to library work at the New York Public Library’s Spencer Collection of rare books and manuscripts. While in N.Y.C., he earned an M.L.S. from Columbia University. Kaimowitz joined the Watkinson Library as curator in 1977 and continued working with faculty and students until his retirement 32 years later. Kaimowitz also published a translation of The Odes of Horace; his work, labeled “groundbreaking” by publisher Johns Hopkins University Press, won the 2009 Choice Outstanding Academic Title honor.

Kaimowitz is survived by his wife, Lyn; son Simon Kaimowitz; sister Carol Kaimowitz; and brother-in-law and sister-in-law Ralph and Francene Conrad.


Miller served as Trinity’s chaplain from 1991 to 1995. She earned a B.A. in history from Smith College and worked for a decade in the insurance industry before entering Virginia Theological Seminary. Her career highlights included serving as the Episcopal chaplain at Yale University; as the transition officer for the Episcopal Diocese of Connecticut, a role she held for most of her career; and as an assistant rector at St. James’s and St. John’s Episcopal Churches in West Hartford.

Miller is survived by her husband of 24 years, the Rev. Barry Miller; stepsons Andrew Miller and Gregory Miller; and two granddaughters. She was predeceased by brother William Charles.

FORMER TRUSTEES

Richardson earned an undergraduate degree in American studies from Georgetown University, of which she was a loyal supporter, serving on its board and founding its Richardson American Studies Lecture Series. The philanthropist also served on the Hillsdale Fund board for more than 60 years. Richardson was one of the first two female members of Trinity’s Board of Trustees; she served from 1974–83.

Richardson is survived by her husband, James Lowenstein; children Laurinda Douglas and Price Lowenstein; three grandchildren; and sisters Molly Smith and Margaret White.

DEATH NOTICES
1959 William C. Riley
1962 James P. Fox
1976 Bruce W. McKay
IDP 1987 Ty Quell-Zemelsky