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Obituaries » Harrison Prescott Eddy ¹⁴³



Harrison P. Eddy died Saturday, Dec. 13, 2014, at home in The Plains, where he lived with his loving and devoted wife of 61 years Jane Lee (nee Jackson) who survives him. He was 93.

He was born on March 13, 1921, in Newton, Mass. He graduated from Noble & Greenough School in 1937 and from Williams College in 1941. On summer break from Nobles, Mr. Eddy captained the charter boat from which the then record 600-plus-pound tuna was caught for the Black Dolphin Tuna Contest. He leavened his college studies with art, especially drawing and painting which became lifelong passions.

Through a wartime Navy program, he graduated from medical school at Columbia Physicians & Surgeons in New York and interned in psychiatry at the Bedford Naval Hospital. After performing his residency at The Austen Riggs Center in Stockbridge, Mass., and terms at Vassar and Sarah Lawrence Colleges, Dr. Eddy practiced general psychiatry in Manhattan and in Pleasant Valley, N.Y., until 1996, when he moved to The Plains.

Dr. Eddy pursued a long interest in the conservation of nature and protection of natural resources on his 180-acre property in Pleasant Valley. In 1966, for the Committee on the College Student of the Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry, he edited "Sex and the College Student," which was made into a short film in 1969. He enjoyed several years of teaching psychiatric principles to social workers and general medical residents at St. Vincent's and Roosevelt Hospitals in Manhattan.

In addition to his wife, survivors include his son William Eddy; his daughters, Catherine Gallagher and Susan Fargione, and his grandson Maxwell.

He was predeceased by his sister, Susan Noble.

A private service was held at home.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Plains Volunteer Fire Co., P.O. Box 93, The Plains, Va. 20198.

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