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**Henry Schoenberger(1925 - 2017)**

**SOUTH HADLEY** – Henry Schoenberger was born in Cleveland, Ohio just before the Depression, the oldest child to Alvin and Elizabeth (Moyer) Schoenberger. Hank spent his formative years in New Rochelle, New York, and loved to recall the ice hockey, kick-the-can, ringolevio, and stick ball games of his youth. During high school, he drove a family friend who was a physician to house calls, and exposure to and discussions with this man inspired him to become a doctor. He graduated from Williams College in 1946 in Pre-med. Hank married the former Katharine Hanneman from Chicago, Illinois in 1949. He graduated from Boston University with his medical degree in 1950, and interned at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in Cleveland. Hank did his residency in Denver, Colorado, and then became an Associate Physician in Thermopolis, Wyoming. He became a General Practitioner in Waterbury, Vermont for 11 years, where he and wife Kay raised their three children. In 1964, Hank moved his family to Amherst, where he became a physician at the UMass Health Service. Two years later, he returned to medical practice in Amherst because he missed the personal relationship between doctor and patient. Hank relocated to Laconia, New Hampshire, in 1986 and became a Staff Physician at the Laconia Clinic until he retired in 1994. He married the former Patricia Grybko Smith from Amherst, in 1990, and they continued to live in Laconia.

Hank relished his leisure time and worked diligently at being physically active. He enjoyed walking, biking, hiking, canoeing, sailing, squash, and chopping his own wood. He especially enjoyed tennis and taught all members of his family to play. Hank attended matches with family at Longwood in Chestnut Hill, and finally got to see Wimbledon matches in person. He loved music, from classical to pop, and attended Tanglewood annually. Hank enjoyed traveling, and in 2000 he and Pat traveled on an education visa to Cuba to study the culture and Latin music. Hank attempted art and flying lessons after retirement, and was proud of pointing out that he had as many landings as take-offs. Hank had seven grandchildren and three step-grandchildren with whom he enjoyed spending time and attending their sporting events.

After retirement, Hank volunteered at the Consumer Protection Bureau in Concord, New Hampshire, specializing in condominium management issues. He was also an ombudsman at the N.H. Veterans Home in Tilton, New Hampshire. Hank became an avid computer user. He was a past president and financial officer of the Wildwood Village Condo Association, past secretary to the Wildwood Shores Association, and former trustee of the Laconia Public Library. He founded the A-Condo Management Company and managed a number of condominium complexes in the Laconia area. In later years, Hank would relocate to Hilton Head, South Carolina, from January to April, to escape the cold winters. He connected with a merry group of friends in Hilton Head who claimed him as one of their own for tennis, biking, symphony, opera, dominoes, and alligator counts.

Hank leaves Pat, his beloved wife of 27 years; his siblings Miriam Puder of Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey, and Robert Schoenberger (Marilyn) of Delray Beach, Florida; his children Barbara Killeen (Jack) of Bernardston, and Peter Schoenberger (Karen) of Hadley; his step-daughter Vicki L'Abbee (Douglas) of Granby; and step-son John Smith VIII of Amherst. He was predeceased by a daughter, Dr. Susan Spencer (Todd) in 2007. Hank had seven grandchildren, Matthew Killeen (Patti), Andrew Killeen (Candice), Meredith Leone (Michael), Dr. William Spencer, Katharine Spencer, Jonathan Spencer, and William Schoenberger. His step-grandchildren are Douglas IV, Mitchell, and Robert L'Abbee. Hank also leaves six great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

As per Hank's wishes, there will be no services. A Celebration of Life for the family will be held at a later time.

Donations in his name may be made to the Central New Hampshire VNA and Hospice, 780 Main St., Laconia, NH 03246.

Beers & Story South Hadley Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements.

To sign a Guest Book, express condolences, share memories and read other obituaries, go to [legacy.com/obituaries/gazettenet](http://legacy.com/obituaries/gazettenet).

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