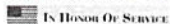


**Richard A. Somerby** IN HONOR OF SERVICE

Richard A. Somerby '52

Naples, FL

Richard A. Somerby, 85, of Naples, FL and Hartsdale, NY and formerly a resident of New Canaan, died peacefully Wednesday, January 13th, 2016 having had his family by his side for his final days.

Born October 10, 1930 in Boston, MA, and raised in Winchester and Marshfield Hills, MA, he was the son of the late Rufus and Sylvia Somerby. He graduated from Tabor Academy in 1948 and Williams College in 1952. Participating on many athletic teams during his school years, one of his favorite memories was the selection of his Tabor crew team for the Henley Regatta in England. Always a proud veteran, he served as an officer in the US Air Force for several years during the Korean conflict. After earning his MBA from Harvard Business School in 1956, he spent his entire career working for IBM as an executive in marketing and sales. He met his future wife Mary Louise Vincent during his years at Harvard, and they ultimately settled in New Canaan in the early 1960s to raise their five children.

His retirement years were spent as an active community participant joining the North Naples Fire Control and Rescue Squad as a certified member of their emergency response team. He was a member of the Harvard club of Naples, The Williams Club of Naples, and the English-Speaking Union. Family genealogy was also one of his biggest pastimes, a pursuit that culminated in a trip to the small village of Somerby, England. He was a gregarious personality who genuinely enjoyed the company of others.

He is survived by his five children: Richard, Craig, Anne, Elizabeth and Daniel as well as 12 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchild. He is also survived by his siblings Judy Jones, Gail Barrington and Robert Somerby as well as his former wife Mary Louise Collum of Naples FL. He was predeceased by his sisters Shirley Knox and Joan Brennan.

The family will hold a private ceremony this summer on Cape Cod, MA where Richard spent summers as a youth and while raising his children.

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