Memorial service scheduled for Dr. William Walker, professor emeritus of education 8/24/15

ROCHESTER Word has been received of the death of Dr. William Walker, professor emeritus of education at Alfred University, on Aug. 11, 2015, just a few days short of his 85th birthday.

Rochester: Born in Bennington, VT on August 17, 1930, Walker was a son of Donald and Cecilia (Liberty).

He is predeceased by brothers, Donald T., James, Robert, David, Andrew, sister Jean; granddaughter Barbara. Bill married Barbara Watt in 1954 in Syracuse, NY, and they remained close lifelong friends; also survived by sons, Stephen (Susan) of Andover, William Jr. (Margaret Carney) of Ann Arbor MI, James of Rochester; grandchildren, Andrew (Justinn) of Brattleboro VT, Jeannie (AJ) Todd of Mobile AL, Margaret (Eric) Miller of Corning, Donald of Rochester, William, Stephen both of Andover; great-grandchildren, Betty and Daisy Todd; brother, Richard (Sharon) of Quaker Hill CT; sister Mary (Edward) Wasielewski of Hudson NH; many dear relatives and friends.

Bill attended Syracuse University where he received BA, MA and EdD degrees. He taught English in schools in the Syracuse area and in San Diego, and was high school principal in Mexico, NY. After teaching at Alfred University from 1967 to 1992 he retired as Professor Emeritus.

He was a veteran of the US Navy, and retired from the Naval Reserve with the rank of Lt. Commander. Bill served on the Andover Central School Board of Education and the Rural Management Association of Allegany County, which established the Andover Medical Center and the Andover Dental Center. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking, oil painting, photography, camping.

Family and friends may call at Thomas Funeral Chapels, 4545 Lake Avenue, Rochester, NY, on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 2-4 pm, with a memorial service at 4 pm. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to Alfred University Education Department, 1 Saxon Dr., Alfred, NY 14802.