



James Gregory Hickey

November 30, 2019

James Gregory Hickey, 90, passed away peacefully on November 30, 2019. The son of James Walter Hickey and Grace Murphy Hickey, he was a lifelong resident of West Hartford, Connecticut. He attended Morley School and St. Thomas the Apostle where he was a member of that school's first graduating class. Greg graduated from Kingswood School in 1947 and was a Trustee Emeritus of his alma mater upon his death. Participation on the undefeated 1945 football team was a cherished high school memory. Graduation from Georgetown University in 1951 was soon followed by deployment to the Korean Conflict in 1952 where Greg served as a rifle platoon leader with the rank of First Lieutenant in Baker Company of the 23rd Infantry Division. He received a Combat Infantry Badge and was awarded a Bronze Star for his services in Korea. Greg entered Georgetown Law School in 1954 and was married to Joan Powers Hickey, his wife of 63 years before her passing, in that same year. His JD degree was bestowed in 1956 and he was admitted to practice law in the state of Connecticut. His legal education notwithstanding, Greg spent the entirety of his professional life working in public accounting. He was admitted as a partner to what was then known as Ernst & Ernst in 1965 and became the managing partner of the Hartford office in 1974. During the course of his career, he served a term as President of the Connecticut Society of CPAs as well as a term as President of the State Board of Accountancy. Ample participation during and succeeding his working years on numerous charitable and commercial boards included being an Incorporator

for Hartford Hospital and a member of the Board of Directors of Webster Bank. Greg, a past President of the Hartford Golf Club, was an avid golfer. He also spent many years skiing at Stratton Mountain in Vermont and sailing on Long Island Sound where he maintained a summer cottage in South Lyme. Greg is survived by his sister Marie Hickey Wallace, his sons Greg (Kathy) and Jeff, his grandchildren Megan (Mike), Conor (Suzanne), Bridget, Jayne and Grace as well as his great grandchildren Jack and Nellie. Bob, a special needs son, passed many years ago. A funeral mass will be held at St. Timothy's Church in West Hartford on Friday, December 6, 2019 at 11:00 AM followed by a luncheon at the Hartford Golf Club. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to HARC, Inc., 900 Asylum Avenue, Hartford, CT 06105. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of St. Timothy
1116 North Main St
West Hartford, CT 06117
(860) 233-5131

Tribute Wall

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“ Greg and I worked together volunteering at the outpatient Reception Desk at UConn Health Center in Farmington, Ct. for many years. We found that we had much in common and developed a real friendship through the Old Guard and an occasional lunch together in West Hartford.

I was saddened to read of his passing and wanted to extend my sympathy to his family.

Phillip Trowbridge, MD

Phillip Trowbridge, MD - December 12, 2019 at 04:03 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers to and for Greg, Joan, Bobby - and condolences to the Hickeys. "Mr. Hickey" was a stalwart supporter of his family, and a true patriarch. Whether on the sidelines as a parent or grandparent, he always had a genuinely warm smile to impart, to family certainly yet also to those in his kid's circles. For all who attended KO's 2016 HoF ceremony, we will never forget Mr. Hickey's speech at the conclusion of the 1945 football team's induction. He relayed how he was one of a very few, now one less, who had the pleasure of knowing every Headmaster since the School's founding. The respect and admiration for the man and his experiences shared was palpable, yet that was just one opportunity to appreciate his breadth and depth of character. Godspeed Mr. Hickey. Gib Brady and the Brady family.

Gib Brady - December 03, 2019 at 04:34 PM