



James Walker MD

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James Elliot Cabot Walker MD, 84, of Avon beloved husband of 46 years to Audrey, died peacefully at his home on Thursday. He was born in Bryn Mawr, PA to the late Arthur and Sylvia Walker. He received his BA from Williams College, a MD from the University of Pennsylvania, and an MS in Hygiene from Harvard University. After graduation from UPenn, he entered the US Army serving as a captain in the medical service branch during the Korean Conflict. After leaving the service he returned to Boston where he began programs to benefit urban poor through the establishment of preventative medical outreach programs, this would be in keeping with his belief in the power of preventive medicine and primary care physicians. In 1965 he was offered an opportunity to become one of the founding fathers of the new UConn Medical Health Center, where he would continue to serve as a professor of Medicine for many years. In the mid 1980's he would become the medical director at Avery Heights in Hartford. James felt that service to the community was a key responsibility in life, to that end he would serve as the Associate Director of the Center on Aging at UConn, Chairman of the Board of Connecticut Community Care Inc, Chairman of the Board for Duncaster, Chairman of the Alzheimer's Coalition of CT, and as a warden of St. John's Episcopal Church in West Hartford. James was a peaceful man with an inner strength and determination that were powerful forces in his life. He enjoyed working outdoors and was an avid sailor circumnavigating the Atlantic in a 40 ft. boat. Working with his hands in his woodshop, would lead to creations that

grace his home and those of his children. In addition to his wife he is survived by two children; James Walker Jr. and Holly Nixon, six grandchildren, a sister in West Chester, PA and a brother in Santa Clara, CA as well numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Saturday, January 15, at 11:00 am at St. John's Episcopal Church, 679 Farmington Ave. West Hartford.

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“ *My sincere condolences to the Walker Family. I had the privilege of working at the Travelers Center on Aging for a number of years, and it was there that I met Dr. Walker. His gentle and gentlemanly manner was a constant. Please know that he will be remembered warmly by many.*

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