

David Gary Englebretson

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David Gary Englebretson died on July 8, 2017, while working in his beloved Smiley School garden in Redlands, California. Dave came to Dartmouth from Belleville Township, Illinois, where he played both football and baseball. Around the time of his enrollment, his family moved to California, where he later returned. At Dartmouth, he was one of many quarterbacks on the freshman football team, competing with Gene Ryzewicz, Gordie Rule and Paul Kiely. Likewise, in his freshman year, he was on the baseball team that went 12-1. Dave was part of a deep pitching staff that included Dolph Highmark, Russ Wienecke, Dick Arbeene, Tom Russian and others. Dave took up handball during his Dartmouth years, and, as a member of Alpha Chi Alpha, won the Interfraternity Championship at least once. He graduated with a degree in Studio Art. Over the years, he worked for the Redlands Department of Recreation, and for Naturescape, a Redlands landscaping company. Working in landscaping gave Dave the opportunity to use his creativity constructing ponds, fountains, dry stream beds and all the other items that involved that type of work. David was a true gentleman, a kind, shy and humble guy; “good earth” in the words of a friend. At the time of his death he was not married and had no children. He is survived by three brothers and nine nieces and nephews.