

## Arthur M. Dring



Arthur M. Dring Jr., 80, of Dudley Avenue, Newport, RI, died on Wednesday, October 20, 2010 at home.

He was the husband of Janet Ellen Smith Dring.

Born in Newport, RI on June 4, 1930, the son of the late Dr. Arthur Michael Dring Sr. and Anna Patricia Frances Dunn Dring.

He was a graduate of Rogers High School. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Science as a 1953 graduate of Georgetown University and had also studied at University of Rhode Island, Brown University, Providence College, RIC and Bridgewater State College.

Arthur retired from Thomson Jr. High School where he had the positions of teacher, Science Department Head, vice principal, principal and baseball coach. He was an assistant track coach at Rogers High School and also served as an assistant to the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Vincent Trainor.

He was a parishioner, Eucharistic Minister and Lector of St. Joseph's Church and also served on the Parish Council. He was a past president and member of the Newport Lions Club, a past vice president and member of the Sons of the Revolution, a board member of the Newport Hospital and Bank of Newport, a former board member of the Newport Black Ships Festival, a former member and chairman of the Newport Community Taskforce on Drugs and a member of the Goat Island Yacht Club, Hazards Beach, Redwood Library, Knights of Columbus, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Preservation Society of Newport, Newport Art Association and Alden Kindred of America. He was also the Director and co-chairman of the Vision Screening Program.

He was an avid Red Sox and Patriots fan and a golfer. He was a six wicket croquet player and a member of the Sarasota Country Croquet Club and the Tennis Hall of Fame Croquet Club.

He was also preceded in death by a sister, Anne L. Dring.

Besides his wife, he leaves his children, Michael P. Dring of Merrimack, NH, James A. Dring of Newport, RI, John T. Dring of Portsmouth, RI and Catherine A. Roberts of Middletown; his grandchildren, Taylor Patterson, Masen Patterson, Owen Roberts, Ella Dring, Julia Dring, Amelia Dring, Christopher Dring and Jack Dring.

A Mass of Christian burial was held on Monday, October 25, 2010 in St. Joseph's Church, Newport. Burial will be in St. Columba Cemetery in Middletown, RI.

Visiting hours were held on Sunday, October 24, 2010 from 2-5:00 p.m. in the O'Neill-Hayes Funeral Home, Newport.