

Jack Demick



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Jack Demick, a well-respected psychologist and beloved father, passed away on December 13, 2024, after a brief illness. Born on May 18, 1952, in Waterbury, Connecticut, Jack's life was marked by innovation, mentorship, and unwavering dedication to his family.

He is survived by his wife Joan Kellerman, sister Judy Turner, daughter Katie Currin, son Daniel Kellerman-Demick, granddaughters Penelope and Camryn, son in-law Michael Currin, brother-in-law Ken Kellerman, niece Terri-Leigh and nephew Alex, along with many dear friends, students and colleagues.

Having received his BA from Yale University in 1974, Jack furthered his education by attending Clark University, where he earned a PhD in Psychology in 1980. Jack was affiliated with many universities, both as a professor and researcher, including: The University of Massachusetts, The University of Rhode Island, Clark University, Suffolk University (where he developed a PhD program), Wheaton College, Brown University, and Harvard University.

A devoted psychologist, Jack played a pivotal role in developmental, environmental, and industrial psychology. A prolific and committed researcher, he leaves multiple research articles, studies and books to review.

His work on viewing psychology as a unified science played a crucial role in furthering our understanding of the discipline.

Known to his students for his patience and wisdom, Jack was a natural mentor and fierce friend. He loved teaching and was beloved by both his students and patients who continue to thank him for his help in shaping their lives.

Shiva will be held on Thursday, December 19, 2024, in Sharon, MA, at the home of Joan Kellerman from 4:00pm-6:30pm. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donating to either The Dana Farber Cancer Institute or Brigham & Women's Hospital.

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