

PROVIDENCE

 **EDWARDS, KNIGHT, 81**, died Sunday, August 21, 2005, at Rhode Island Hospital. A lifelong resident of Providence and Saunderstown (born 12/22/1923), Knight Edwards was the son of William H. Edwards, the Providence lawyer, and Mabel P. Edwards, and was the husband for sixty years of Jean M. (Tanner) Edwards.



Mr. Edwards attended Gordon School, Moses Brown School, and graduated from the Loomis School (Windsor, Conn.), Brown University (class of

1945), and Harvard Law School. He was an officer in the U.S. Navy in World War II aboard the Battleship U.S.S. Alabama. He was a partner in the law firm of Edwards & Angell, where he was a general practitioner and took the greatest satisfaction out of his litigation work. He was chairman and honorary trustee of the Providence Public Library, and received the Rhode Island Library Association Trustee of the Year award in 1986.

A trustee emeritus of Brown University, he received the Brown Bear Award in 1997 from the Brown Alumni Association, and was a member of the Brown-Tougaloo Committee. He was president of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, Alpha Chapter, and served on the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities. He served on the board of Lincoln School, and was a life trustee of the Loomis-Chaffee School. He was a deacon of Central Congregational Church and chairman of its Permanent Diaconate. He was a board member of the Child Guidance Clinic.

A lover of poetry, theater, music, and sailing, he was a past commodore of the Saunderstown Yacht Club, and a member of the Review Club, the Shakespearean Society, and the A.E. Club.

Survivors are his wife, Jean M. (Tanner) Edwards, of Providence; a daughter, Barbara M. (Edwards) Diamond, of Cincinnati; two sons, William S. Edwards, of Cambridge, Mass., and John P. Edwards, of Saunderstown; and three grandchildren.

There will be a memorial service at Central Congregational Church on Saturday, September 10 at 11 a.m. Contributions in his memory may be made to Brown University or Save the Bay.

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