

In Memoriam

HARRISON P. WARRENER

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Harrison Warrener, Hass, was not the usual twentieth century gentleman; he was a man of many interesting talents, who knew how to walk alone, but preferred not to. Hass was an only child, his father, a member of the Literary Club, died, unfortunately, while he was still a baby. While growing up with a wise Mother he learned to entertain himself wonderfully. Harrison was, especially, talented with his hands, doing card and slight of hand tricks, modeling or painting, and working with wood. It was the latter, as a cabinet maker, that became his profession after he gave up his insurance business.

The University School, here in Cincinnati, now gone, prepared Hass for Dartmouth, from which he graduated in 1939. Following college he started work with the Union Central life Insurance, which was to be his only employer. While with Union Central Life, he earned his MBS at Xavier and later became an officer of the Company. He left them to start a retail insurance business with Richard Rust. Later he moved from Cincinnati to Cape Cod where he used his talents as a cabinet maker to support himself and his wife.

Tragically, in 1969, a few years following Hass' and Florence's silver wedding anniversary, she died. Hass married again, to Mary Jane Stair, and a short time after their marriage they moved to Cape Cod, leaving the Literary club, his job, and his friends. Again, with Mary Jane this time, Hass celebrated 25 years of marriage. He unfortunately became a widower again. Hass, for the third time, this time to Helene Ryan, was happily married. After a few years together living in Winchester, near Boston, they moved to Cincinnati. He returning, and she coming, with enthusiasm. They quickly developed a pleasant life here, Hass returned to the Literary Club, Helene and Hass together forming a nice group of old and new friends.

Harrison used his leadership skills for his Church. His first was The Episcopal Church of the Advent in Walnut Hills where he was a mover, as its Senior Warden, when that Church brought help and service to its neighborhood in the fifties and sixties. Again in Chatham, on Cape Cod in Massachusetts, his leadership was important to St. Christopher, the Episcopal Church there, especially as their community grew from a summer resort to a year round community.

In much too short a time, less than five years as renewed citizens of Cincinnati, less than four years as an attending member of the Literary Club and ten years of marriage, Hass died of an incurable disease, on December 10th, 2002.

Membership in the Cincinnati Literary Club began for Hass in 1965, and he wrote his first paper on March 11th, 1968. The paper had the title, "Where is my Raincoat?". Hass' writing was interesting, nicely phrased and always with substance.

His titles, after his first paper, were:

"In Paradise Garden". 1969, a budget.

"Mouse", March 23rd, 1979

"Tiptoe Through the Sawdust", June 5, 1972

"Battlefield", May 20, 1974

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