

Richard G. Zogby '80

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Richard G. Zogby '80, M.D. died in Fayetteville, New York, on February 14. After battling cancer for several years he passed away peacefully holding hands with wife Colleen and surrounded by their children Gabrielle, Gabe, Gregory and Garrett. “Zogs” came to Dartmouth from New Hartford Central High in upstate New York. He graduated from SUNY Upstate Medical University in 1984. A talented and dedicated orthopedic and spine surgeon, he practiced for more than 20 years with Syracuse (New York) Orthopedic Specialists. Heartfelt remembrances poured in from grateful patients and colleagues as well as legions of Dartmouth friends. It was no surprise to the Dartmouth family that Zogs made such a positive impact on the community in which he grew up and later practiced medicine. At Dartmouth and thereafter, Zogs lived life to its fullest. A biochemistry major, he excelled in the classroom and on the football field. He enjoyed chemistry lab and the basement of Alpha Chi. He was the leader of the pack (scrum) in rugby. He was a member of Dragon. A true man for others, Rick served as altar boy, Eagle Scout, Navy reservist, Scout leader, doctor, teammate, brother, husband, father, friend and confidante. To quote our rugby captain: “Zogs was extremely gifted but totally humble; a guy who would give but expect nothing in return; a guy who put team before self; a guy who, even if you hadn’t seen him for years, you always kept in the ‘great friend’ category; a guy with a smile that said it all.”