

JACK O. HORTON JR. '60

THE CLASS OF '60 regretfully records the untimely death of Jack Horton on Feb. 28, in Denver after a determined struggle with leukemia. Jack was

born in Sheridan, WY, and grew up on the family ranch in Saddlestring, where he was living prior to his death. An alumnus of Deerfield Academy, Jack graduated from Princeton with a major in geology and went on to study at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar. There he received a master's degree in politics and economics. As an undergraduate at Princeton, Jack was active in a variety of sports including crew, soccer, football, and lacrosse, twice being named an all-American in lacrosse.

Following his study at Oxford, he entered the Navy and served as an officer during the Vietnam War, flying 175 reconnaissance and combat missions over the South China Sea, for which he received seven decorations for his distinguished service.

Jack's varied interests in outdoor activities, his appreciation for our environment, and dedication to public service led to an appointment in 1967 as the executive director of the Wyoming Republican Committee. He left this post to take a position with the U.S. Dept of the Interior, where he worked from 1969 to 1976. He was chairman of the Alaska Land Use Planning Commission, head of the Environmental Impact Study of the Alaskan Pipeline, and, in his last four years with the department, assistant secretary.

In 1977 Jack returned to his ranch in Wyoming to form Horton & Co., a western resources and environmental consulting firm that was designed to work closely with government organizations, private industry, and environmental groups to further the understanding of resource development and environmental impact. In this same year Jack was honored by Princeton alumni in the western states and foreign countries by being elected an alumni trustee, a position he held throughout his battle with cancer. He has been described by his fellow trustees and university administrators as hard-working, dedicated, outgoing, constructive, and a superb person.

In Jack's death, the Class of '60 recognizes the passing of one of Princeton's most distinguished alumni. As friends, a class, a university, and a nation we share a sense of great loss of a most outstanding person, and we extend our deepest sympathies to those who were closest to him.

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