James Edward Van Amburg, M.A., Ed.D., came to the College from Cathedral Preparatory in Erie, Pennsylvania. He received his degree in English with honors and was a Choate Scholar. He earned his M.A. in Comparative Literature at Columbia University and was recognized as a University fellow. His Doctorate in Education came from Stanford University. He was Head of Winward School in White Plains, New York since 1999. Previously Jim was Director of the University of Chicago Laboratory Schools in Chicago, Illinois, and Superintendent of Schools for The Carlisle School District in Massachusetts. Active in alumni affairs, Jim served as Regional Chair, Class Agent, Reunion Committee, and Class Secretary (1987-97). Jim died of a cerebral hemorrhage in July 26, 2005. He is survived by his wife Penelope, son Noah, daughter-in-law Kim, son Nicholas '99, mother Mary Catherine Hosack, sisters Kate Van Amburg and Christine Juskewycz, and brother David Van Amburg.

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