


Obituary

 **RICHARD D. FRARY, MD**, 93, died October 16, 2023 at Rhode Island Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Joan Scott Frary, of 68 years, and his sons Stephen, Clinton, and Adam. He was predeceased by his oldest son Jeffrey, and his sister Eloise F. Wood.

He earned his bachelor's degree, cum laude, from Amherst College in 1952 and his medical degree from Boston University School of Medicine in 1956. Following two years of residency at Boston City Hospital, he joined the US Navy and was assigned to the Naval Hospital in St. Albans, NY, where he spent two years on the Tuberculosis Service. Upon completion, he returned to Rhode Island and completed another year of internal medicine residency followed by a fellowship in cardiology at Rhode Island Hospital.

In 1962, he opened his office at 110 Lockwood Street in Providence for the practice of internal medicine and cardiology, eventually moving to 1525 Wampanoag Trail in East Providence, and retiring in May 1994. He was a member of the American



Medical Association and served several years on the Council of the RI Medical Society. He was a past president of the Bristol County Medical Society and a past president of the RI Chapter of the American Society of Internal Medicine. He also served on the boards of the RI Lung Association and the RI Chapter of the American Heart Association. He was an early member of the faculty of the Brown Medical School. In addition, he was a long-term member of the Barrington Yacht Club and served several years on the Barrington Harbor Commission.

He greatly enjoyed the trips abroad he took with Joan, and cruising and racing on their Pearson 33 sailboat Phalarope. Visits to and from their six grandchildren; Nathaniel and Elizabeth, Cameron and Anjali, and Grace and Audrey, were the high point of his retirement. He was always loyal to his Red Sox and Patriots, and said, "When I'm gone, they'll have to get along without me."

Calling hours will be held on Friday, November 3rd, from 11am–1pm at the Smith-Mason Funeral Home at 398 Willett Ave, Riverside, RI 02915. Burial in Dover, NH, will be private. ❖