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Edward J. Hobbs (FCAS 1961)

1932-2016

Edward James Hobbs, a CAS volunteer and author, passed away peacefully on November 25, 2016, in Hartford, Connecticut. He was born January 21, 1932 in Savannah, Georgia, the son of L. Michael and Mary Casey Hobbs. Growing up in Savanna with its proximity to the sea influenced the young Hobbs to become a marine. After graduating from Savannah's Benedictine Military School, he served honorably as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps and later as a captain in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. Even long after his military career, his ocean fascination led him to join the Church of St. Mary Star of the Sea in Unionville, Connecticut.

He graduated from Pennsylvania's Villanova University and became senior vice president of Insurance Co. of North America in Philadelphia. His next career move was to Orion Group, Inc. of New York City and Farmington, Connecticut, where he was president and COO and retired in 1987. In the 1960s he was a member of the CAS Education and Examination Committee, mainly focusing on education. From 1968-1970 he worked finding examination locations for the CAS Committee on Sites.

In addition to his loving wife of 62 years, Helene, he is survived by his six children, Ellen; Thomas; Brian and his wife Ellyn Hobbs; Carol and her husband Glenn; Alison; and Susan; four grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He is also survived by his brother Michael F. Hobbs. He was predeceased by his sister Mary; and his brothers Leon Michael and Joseph Patrick.