

## **Rex C. Davis (ACAS 1967)**

**1934-2013**

### **TEACHER TURNED ACTUARY**

Rex C. Davis, age 78, of Green Lake, Wisconsin, died peacefully with his family beside him on Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at the Meriter Hospital in Madison.

Born in Stevens Point, Wisconsin on November 4, 1934, to Lawrence and Neva (Henze) Davis, he would spend much of his early life in his hometown. There he attended P.J. Jacobs High School and married the love of his life, Nancy G. Gehrke, on August 31, 1957, at Trinity Lutheran Church. He also attended the Central State Teachers College there, receiving a Bachelor's degree in 1958. He later earned a Master's degree from Iowa State Teacher's College in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Davis began as a mathematics teacher for two years at Mayville High School. After two years as a teacher, he made a career change and began working for Sentry Insurance Company. He left Stevens Point to work as an actuary for Allstate Insurance Company in Northbrook, Illinois. He was there for 27 years until his retirement in 1990. He earned his ACAS in 1967 and was a member of the American Academy of Actuaries.

His enjoyments in life were mainly family, but he also loved gourmet cooking, solving crossword puzzles and traveling to Wisconsin's Door County as well as Florida, Hawaii and Bermuda. He enjoyed boating and fishing at his cottage on Big Green Lake in Wisconsin for many years.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Nancy; two sons, Larry of Okeechobee, Florida, and Jason (Jasmine) of Northbrook, Illinois; one sister, Mary Lou (Leroy) Sroda of Green Bay; one brother, James Davis of Milwaukee; and two grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Jack (Alice) Davis; sister, Betty (Lewis) McDermott; and daughter, Deborah (James) Haidu.