

to the Medical College of Virginia as director of the surgical research labs. His research contributions on the hormonal response to injury were honored in 1962, when at age 36 he became the first surgeon to win the Endocrine Society CIBA Award. In 1964 he became James Utley Professor and Chair of Surgery at MED. He was named academic vice president in 1973, a position he held for 24 years, directing BU Medical Center and overseeing the School of Medicine, the Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine, Sargent College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences, the School of Social Work, and the School of Public Health.

After branching out into health policy, Egdahl worked with senior health officials in Washington, D.C., where he testified frequently on Capitol Hill and was a consultant to the President's Advisory Council on Management Improvement. He also became the editor of a series of books and monographs on surgical practice and a second series on health care cost and quality initiatives, published by Springer-Verlag. He was a member of the editorial board of the *New England Journal of Medicine* from 1980 to 1993 and an elected member of

the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies. He was the author of more than 300 publications in basic science, clinical practice, management, and health policy.

In 1987 Egdahl poured his clinical, educational, and policy expertise into the creation of Health Payment Review (HPR), the first company to provide insurance claims software that incorporated clinical knowledge to improve quality and reduce costs. HPR was sold in 1997 to HBOC, now part of McKesson Corporation.

"Richard Egdahl was a remarkable physician-scientist, educator, national health policy expert, and administrator," says former colleague Aram Chobanian (Hon.'06), BU president emeritus, dean emeritus of MED, provost of the Medical Campus, and MED professor of medicine. "He was a superb surgeon, and the quality of his research is illustrated by his being the first surgeon to be elected into the prestigious American Society of Clinical Investigation. Dick was truly an unusual individual whose eclectic interests led to major contributions in many important areas of medicine. His many friends at the University are saddened by this loss."

The Consummate Social Worker

Daniel Carter hailed for his "great heart" | BY JENNIFER BATES (COM'16)

Daniel L. Carter, a School of Social Work professor emeritus, who died at 87 on March 17, 2016, is remembered for his kindness and compassion, traits that made him a valued instructor in the social work program.

"As I look back on his great heart, kindness, and warm laughter, I think of him as a role model for us all, and someone whose door was open to us all," says Carolyn Dillon, an SSW professor emerita, who worked with Carter. "This man was a pro, for sure. I always felt gratitude for all I learned from him within and beyond a classroom."

Carter (SSW'54) graduated from Jamaica Plain High School and the University of Massachusetts and later earned a master's in social service from BU and went on to teach here.

"Dan Carter was one of the nicest and most committed faculty members I have ever met," says SSW Dean Gail Steketee. "I always enjoyed talking with Dan. He was a consummate clinician, concerned about his clients, self-effacing about his skills, and devoted to helping students learn, even as he sometimes doubted his own obvious skills in teaching them. He was a delightful man with a terrific sense of humor and a wonderful ability to work with people."

When he wasn't in the classroom, Carter enjoyed reading, traveling, having thoughtful discussions, and following politics. His



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involvement in sports and outdoor activities was also an integral part of his life.

He looked back with fondness at his many affiliations with the University—as student, professor, and parent. His four children, David (CGS'76), Elaine (CAS'81), Bruce (MET'85), and Stacia (SED'90) also attended the University.

"If Dan Carter were looking over my shoulder," says Dillon, "he would have a big Irish smile of encouragement and satisfaction on his face. He would say something like, 'I am in such a beautiful place now, no more papers to grade, no more sickness and sorrow, so many friendships here that will last into eternity.' Good-bye, old friend. We will never forget you, and we will cherish that wonderful smile."

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