JAMES JOSEPH WINDER 1924 --1987

James Joseph Winder, member of Alexandria Monthly Meeting and Friends Meeting of Washington, died Ninth Month 24, 1987 in Bethesda, Maryland.

Jim, son of Joseph C. and Elizabeth P. Winder, was born Fourth Month 14, 1924 in Yardley, Pennsylvania, and was a birthright member of Falls Monthly Meeting, Fallsington, Pennsylvania. He graduated in 1942 from Olney Friends School, Barnesville, Ohio. During the Second World War he served as a non-combatant in the Army Medical Corps and was stationed for a time at Walter Reed Hospital. At this time he became active in Young Friends, which provided the opportunity to renew his acquaintance with Jean Sutton, whom he had met at a Young Friends Conference in Poughkeepsie, New York in 1941. On Fourth Month 8, 1945, they were married under the care of Friends Meeting of Washington. Following the war they lived in Pennsylvania, where James M.. Winder and Alice Smith, their two eldest children, were born. In the early 1950s they returned to the Washington, D.C. area where Anne Talkes and twins, Rachel L. Winder and Rebecca M. Winder were born.

Jim was an active member of Alexandria Monthly Meeting serving as a Trustee, Treasurer, and on nearly every committee at one time or another. He will long be remembered for his help in constructing the addition to the Meeting House, and maintaining and restoring buildings and grounds at Woodlawn. He was always a willing worker on any project, typically working "behind the scenes," not asking to be thanked, but doing what needed to be done.

Jim served on Baltimore Yearly Meeting Committees, including Supervisory Committee, Stewardship and Finance, and Camping Program Committee. Under his leadership, and because of his hard work, Friends camps were developed at Catoctin, Maryland and Opequon, Virginia.

James J. Winder is survived by his wife Jean, their five children, and one granddaughter, Jessica Talkes. His faithful, diligent work on behalf of Friends and Friends Camps will not soon be forgotten, nor replaced.

Friends Meeting of Washington

at a Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business, 8 May 1988

Friends Meeting of Washington endorses with gratitude this Memorial Minute prepared by Alexandria (Virginia) Monthly Meeting. Long-time members recall James Winder's presence in our Meeting life. He and his wife, Jean Sutton Winder, were married at Friends Meeting of Washington. They were active members, with all of their children attending our First-day School, until the time when there was opportunity for active participation in Alexandria Monthly Meeting.