



NOBLE, WILLIAM SCHOFIELD "BILL", Unsung Hero of the Cambridge Tenant Movement of Arlington, well-known as a tenant activist in Cambridge during the 1970s and 80s, died at Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital in Bedford on February 7, 2018. He was 79. Bill was born and grew up on the North Shore of Chicago. Awarded a scholarship to Harvard, where he graduated with a BA in English literature, Class of 1960, Bill then joined the military. The army recruited him into Intelligence and stationed him in East and West Berlin during the Cold War. Returning to the US and having settled in Cambridge, he gave priority to his tenant work: advocating for tenants in many forums, writing zoning petitions, co-authoring the Full Occupancy Ordinance, among many other contributions. He leaves his partner, Constantia Thibaut of Arlington, MA; his brother Henry of Winchester, Virginia; his brother Thomas and sister-in-law Elise; his niece and nephew Kate and Patrick; and his grand-nephew Zachary, all of Santa Fe, New Mexico. Memorial services are pending. Donations in Bill's name may be made to: Bedford Research Corporation, Inc. (BRCI), c/o Dawn E. McKenna, Executive Director, Bedford VA, Building 14, Room 104, 200 Springs Road, Bedford MA 01730. For more information, please contact Dawn McKenna at (781) 687-2958. Shawsheen Funeral Home, Bedford.

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