



William V. Rakauskas, Ed.D., '61, G'63, Professor of English, passed away on Sept. 11, 2004. Born in Scranton, Dr. Rakauskas was a four-year Navy veteran, who was awarded a certificate for meritorious service while serving on the USS Muliphen, AKA 61, in the Mediterranean. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University, and his doctorate in English/education from Temple University. After having taught English at Scranton Technical High School, he began his career as a college professor at The University of Scranton, rising to the rank of full professor in 1973. For most of his University career, a career that began in 1969, Dr. Rakauskas helped prepare students for their professional role as English teachers, teaching grammar, composition and literature at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. At the University, Dr. Rakauskas was named CASE Professor of the year in 1991, and was an honorary member of Alpha Sigma Nu, the national Jesuit honor society. He also served as a lecturer in the University's evening college and taught the Academic Development Program. For several years, he directed the University's Writing Center and moderated its student newspaper, The Aquinas. He wrote several pedagogical articles for professional journals and publications. Memorial donations may be made to the Dr. William V. Rakauskas Student Scholarship Fund, in care of The University of Scranton, Scranton, Pa. 18510