

**A Memorial Service and Appreciation in the memory of Professor David J. Karl
(November 1, 1934 - April 3, 1986)**

David J. Karl was born in New Haven, Connecticut on November 1, 1934. He attended Providence College, Rhode Island, obtaining a bachelor's degree in chemistry in 1956, and then Michigan State University, from which he received a Ph.D. in physical chemistry in 1960. He taught for one year at St. Francis College in Pennsylvania and for five years at the University of Dayton before coming to Wright State as Associate Professor in 1966.

Over the past twenty years he contributed to the University in many ways. He always worked hard to present an interesting, up to date program for the freshman students. He served as chairman of the Chemistry Department for seven years, as member and chairman of the University Curriculum Committee and on many other important committees. He was active in the American Chemical Society, serving as secretary and chairman of the Dayton Section.

More recently he became much involved with areas of applied chemistry, including materials science, corrosion, environmental chemistry and polymer chemistry. In 1973, the University recognized his accomplishments by promoting him to Professor. Outside the University, Dr. Karl had other interests as an Environmental Consultant primarily with the Allyn Corporation and a past member of the The Manufacturing Engineers. He was also an avid sailing enthusiast and was a past member of the Centerville School Board.

He was fortunate in enjoying a happy family life with his wife Wilma and their three daughters, Mary Catherine, Mary Monica and Mary Elizabeth, all of whom are now married, and he was specially pleased with his grandsons Christopher (Ted) and Ryan.

Wright State University
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