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**CLASS OF 1948 SHIPMATE COLUMN
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On June 5th **Sumner** asked me to sub for him one more time so I'm trying. I talked with Sumner's daughter, Ann, and she asked me to express the family's deep appreciation for all the food, flowers, calls, notes and letters in the weeks before and after Jane passed away. She also noted that classmates have sent contributions to the class flower fund in Jane's name. The family is eternally grateful.

It is time to consider some numbers. The Class had 1078 entering in June of '44 and graduated 910. By my count we have lost 443 of the graduates leaving 467. I have email addresses for 270 classmates and 25 widows and I notify these people immediately when we lose a classmate or wife. I also try to keep this group apprised of time critical class news. If I don't have an email address for you and you wish to be included send me your address. Sumner will continue to publish and expand on all class news.

Many classmates and wives have had joints replaced (bionic people!) and **Warren Graham** has joined the group with a knee replacement on 6/04/07. He reports rehab is going well.

Nan Baughman took a wonderful river boat cruise the end of April early May. She boarded in Vienna and disembarked (at 0400) in Amsterdam. Unfortunately, she contracted a really nasty virus for which, as of this writing 7/8/07, she is still being treated.

Finally, sad to report we have lost the following friends: **Brad Daley**, 11th Co. on 5/18/07; **W.W. Lewis**, 23rd Co., on 5/26/07; **Joe Tagliente**, 1st Co. on 5/18/07; **Keith O'Keefe's** wife Natalie on 5/22/07; and **Sumner Moore's** wife Jane on 6/9/07.

I am writing this column for the Sept edition of Shipmate. This gives you a clue as to deadlines. Sumner is going to be hard up for a column if you folks don't send him some material so take a moment and put pen to paper or get on your computer and help him out. S.K. Moore, 11 Seastones Dr., Portsmouth, RI 02871 Phone 401-846-2875. Email sk48moore@aol.com