

**Horace D. Taft Alumni Medal
and
Citation of Merit
1986 Recipient**



**Henry Waters Taft '43
1926-1991**

A liberally educated person with a restless, inquisitive mind and an untiring zest for life, you have left your mark on Taft as a scholar and leader, on Yale as a Phi Beta Kappa, on Harvard as an M.B.A., on Bristol-Myers as a leading executive, and on Outward Bound as its national leader for over a decade. Your character and fortitude have been evident, whether the day be given to rappelling in the High Tetons, sculling alone on the Atlantic, or leading in the corporate boardroom. Devoted to your country, you have served as an officer in two wars, as a volunteer trustee at foundations trying to preserve our nation's environment for future generations, and as a leading trustee of Rye Country Day and Taft. Never content to accept either the status quo or mediocrity in any form, you have insisted we challenge tomorrow's leaders "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield." We are the better for your having come our way. For all that you have given to your country and your school, Taft takes pride in awarding you its highest honor, the Alumni Citation of Merit.