

BLOHARDS

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"Wait til next year."

The year did not end in a blaze of glory in more ways than one.

Tuesday afternoon, September 22, I had a call from Walter Teitz. He was jovial, did not give me heck for anything, told me he had made a lot of mailings and needed more signed membership cards to send out. We commiserated on the season but spoke of the youth next year.

Tuesday night, after watching the game, he worked on his stamps -- and quietly passed away.

We buried him Wednesday. He would have laughed. It was from Gallagher's Funeral Home. Always told him I would convert him.

Walter will be a great loss --

To his family, Marian and the children, Warren, Jean, and Susan, who was our featured speaker in June. They were always in his thoughts and words.

To his agency, now Saatchi Saatchi DFS Compton, where he spent almost 30 years and gained fame in the halcyon days with his deft handling of RJ Reynolds.

To the BLOHARDS. The "Bark worse than bite" certainly applied. Every time he called I wondered what I had done wrong. He resigned as Sr. VP Treasurer more times that I can count -- too many people would be paying their dues, he had too many checks to deposit, there was too much record-keeping. The next call would be "How about that home run" -- and all his problems disappeared.

He truly enjoyed, as did we, the treasurer's reports, which he got to embellish in his own inimitable way.

I knew him as a client and then friend for the past twenty years. I will really miss him. He was a good guy.

With his family's permission, we have set up a Walter Teitz Memorial with the Jimmy Fund. Checks should be directed to Jimmy Fund, 44 Binney Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02115. Please indicate BLOHARDS on your check.

Appreciate your participation.

*God Bless Him
Jim*