

WITH ALUMNI



Doug Irgang



Allan Schwartzstein and son Mathew in 1998



Ronald Bucca

DOUG IRGANG, ALLAN SHWARTZSTEIN AND RONALD BUCCA

The events of Sept. 11 shocked and horrified the world and deeply affected us all. Thousands of innocent people were killed in the attacks, and thousands more lost husbands and wives, fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters, and sons and daughters.

The Freeman community was not spared from this tragedy. Among the victims of the attacks were Doug Irgang (BSM '91), Allan Schwartzstein (BSM '86) and Ronald Bucca, the father of Ron Bucca (BSM '02). Irgang was an associate director with the boutique investment firm Sandler O'Neill & Partners. Schwartzstein was a managing director and partner with Cantor Fitzgerald. Bucca was a fire marshal with the New York Fire Department.

Irgang, 32, a native of Roslyn, N.Y., had worked in equity sales for Sandler O'Neill on the 104th floor of 2 World Trade Center since 1998. He was engaged to marry Kristin Ladner, whom he had met one morning on his way to work. After reading his newspaper over his shoulder on the subway, Ladner jotted her telephone number on the back and asked him to give her a call. The couple was to be married in December 2001.

"Doug called my mom and Kristen right after the first plane hit to tell them that he was OK and not to worry," says Steven Irgang (A&S '88), Doug's brother. "He told them that the World Trade Center had been hit by a plane, but it was the other building. We assume he started down right after that. And that's

when the second plane hit."

Irgang was a competitive triathlete, but his true passion in life was swimming. To honor his memory, a memorial scholarship fund has been established at New York's Asphalt Green athletic complex, where Irgang trained and competed as a Masters swimmer. The scholarship fund, which will support young underprivileged swimmers and children who lost a parent on Sept. 11, also honors Andrew Fisher, another Asphalt Green Masters swimmer who died in the World Trade Center attacks.

On Nov. 10, 2001, Swim for the Future, a memorial swim at Asphalt Green in honor of Doug and Andrew, raised over \$150,000 for the scholarship fund. Contributions to the fund may still be made by writing Asphalt Green Swim for the Future, 555 East 90th St., New York, N.Y. 10128, or calling 1-800-NYC-SWIM. For more information, visit the Asphalt Green Web site at www.asphaltgreen.org or the Irgang family Web site at www.irgang.com.

Schwartzstein, 37, had joined Cantor Fitzgerald as an equity trader in March 2001 after spending 14 years at Bear Stearns. Schwartzstein and his wife, Amy, were the proud parents of two children, Jessica, 5 years old, and Matthew, 4 years old.

Schwartzstein, like Irgang a native of Roslyn, was an avid tennis player and skier and an amateur guitar player. "He was personally responsible for me seeing over 100 Grateful Dead concerts," recalls Michael Schwartzstein, Allan's younger brother. "He always made the people around him feel really good. He was the most generous person in the world. He was humble and very down to earth."

On Sept. 16, 2001, a memorial service honoring Schwartzstein in New York drew over 1,000 people. The family is currently working to establish a memorial fund in honor of Allan. For information about the fund, please contact Michael Schwartzstein at shwartydc@aol.com.

As a New York City fire marshal, Bucca, 47, ordinarily investigated fires, but on the morning of Sept. 11 he responded to the tragedy like any other firefighter. Bucca was on his way to the 74th floor of the second World Trade Center tower when it collapsed. As a warrant officer in the Army Reserve and a 23-year veteran of the fire department, Bucca knew the risks involved in entering the tower yet did not hesitate to respond to the tragedy.

"My dad is a hero," said Ron Bucca in a memorial service honoring his father. "It just took a terrorist attack for it to be made publicly known. There aren't even enough words to express how proud we are of our father or how much we miss him. Probably a lot more than anyone knows."

IN THE LINE OF DUTY

In late September, President George W. Bush appointed Wayne A. Downing (MBA '72), a retired four-star U.S. Army general, as his national coordinator on counter-terrorism. According to the announcement made in the *New York Times* of Sept. 30, Downing's mission will be to "head off" terrorists before they strike. In his new post, he reports to former Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge, appointed by Bush to direct the newly created Homeland Security Council.

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CLASS NOTES

1940s

Max Derbes Jr. (BBA '43) contributed the article "Basic Economic Tools for Right of Way Valuation" to *Right of Way* magazine.

Paul S. Rosenblum (BBA '48) is signature gifts chairman for the Touro Infirmary Foundation's board of directors.

Albert Mintz (BBA '48) is planned gifts chairman for the Touro Infirmary Foundation's board of directors.

Coldwell Daniel III (BBA '49) was named a fellow of the Academy of Economics and Finance for 2000.

1950s

Aaron Selber (BBA '50) and his wife, **Peggy Burkenroad Selber**, were named the Outstanding Philanthropists for 2000 at the National Philanthropy Day celebration in Shreveport, La.

Frank Stewart Jr. (BBA '57) received the 2000 Alexis de Tocqueville Society Award from the United Way.

J.S. Brown III (BBA '59) was honored as the fourth recipient of the Lafcadio Hearn Award for his positive influence on the cuisine and culture of New Orleans.

Julian Hillery (BBA '59) is president and CEO of World Ship Supply in New Orleans.

1960s

Julie Breitmeyer (BBA '62) was elected treasurer of the board of the Louisiana Museum Foundation.

Jerry Greenbaum (BBA '62) won the Senior Masters amateur golf tournament.

Charles A. Snyder (BBA '63) was elected to the American Law Institute. Snyder is a partner with Milling Benson Woodward LLP.

Steve Ross (MBA '69) is a general partner of Ross Marketing Associates in Santa Clara, Calif.

1970s

Johnnie Jackson Jr. (MBA '71) is vice president, general counsel and secretary of Olin Corp.

D.C. Oglesbee (MBA '72) is the president and CEO of Aston-Hedwig Capital Management.

Wolfgang Feuchtmüller (MBA '73) is the senior advisor to the board at the Bank of Austria.

Michael Geringer (MBA '73) is the vice president of Morgan Stanley Investment Management in Boca Raton, Fla.

Ralph Brennan (MBA '75) was elected to the UNO Foundation board.

Hardy Fowler (MBA '75) has been named to the board of the 2000-01 Junior Achievement of Greater New Orleans Education Foundation.

John Mahoney Jr. (MBA '75) was elected to the 2001 board of the Tulane Alumni Association.

Rick Rees (MBA '75) was elected to the board of the Foreign Relations Association of New Orleans.

Charles R. Waldron (MBA '75) was named CFO of NetCom Solutions International Inc.

Shannon Burchett (MBA '76) is the CEO of Risk Limited Corp.

G.F. Gay LeBreton (MBA '77) is a merger and acquisitions specialist with Chaffe & Associates.

Debbie Rees (MBA '77) is currently serving on the Louisiana Children's Museum board and the City Park Board of Commissioners.

Felipe Woll (MBA '77) is the vice president of Banco Santander in Miami.

R. Foster Duncan (MBA '78) was appointed CFO of CINergy Corp.

Daniel R. Morel (MBA '78) was appointed chairman and global CEO of Young & Rubicam Inc.'s Impiric division.

John Ammerman (BSM '79) has been named senior vice president of commercial lending at Union Planters Bank.

Neil Bush (MBA '79) runs Ignite, an Internet company that helps children with learning disabilities.

1980s

Robert S. Boh (MBA '81) has been named president of Boh Bros. in New Orleans.

Hueston Fortner (BSM '81) and **Rerai Arsnthong** were married July 12, 2001, in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Henry Harteveltdt (BSM '81) is a senior analyst for Forrester Research.

John Kocur (MBA '81) is manager of product engineering and testing at Demag Delaval in New Jersey.

Gabriel Alvarez (MBA '82) is general manager of BMG U.S. Latin in Miami.

Stephen Duncan (BSM '82) has been named director of marketing for the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.

John Georges (BSM '83), president and CEO of Imperial Trading Co., is on the board of the LSU Health Sciences Center Foundation and the UNO Foundation.

Sharon Hess Herrick (BSM '83) is on the University of West Florida's board of trustees. Herrick is owner and president of Hess Financial Services Inc.

Elizabeth Boh Smallpage (BSM '83) was installed as president of the Junior League of New Orleans.

Richard M. Lerner (MBA '83) is chairman of Annapolis National Bancorp.

Michael Heller (BSM '84) was appointed Southeast business development manager for Deloitte & Touche's technology and communications group.

Ray Krygsman (BSM '84) is manager of SAP design for Saudi Arabian Oil Co.

Peter Tuz (MBA '84) is a banking analyst with Chase Investment Counsel in Charlottesville, Va.

Emile Brinkman (MBA '85) is senior director of research and economics in commercial real estate for the Mortgage Bankers Association of America.

Todd F. Walker (MBA '85) is director and secretary/treasurer of Health-Pak Inc.

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Lloyd Stein (BSM '85), a television commercial director living in New York, directed Budweiser's "What Are You Doing" commercial, which ran during the Super Bowl broadcast in 2001. The commercial won a Gold Clio, a Bronze Lion at the Cannes International Advertising Festival, a Bronze at the International Advertising Festival of Ireland and has been added to the permanent collection of the Museum of Television and Radio.

David Cohen (BSM '86) was elected chairman of Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA).

Samuel Moreton (MBA '86) is energy trading director for Shell Trading in Houston.

James Taussig III (MBA '86) and **Eloise Bolton** were married in October 2000 in New Orleans.

Doug Allen (BSM '87) is manager of radiology information services for Emory University Hospital in Atlanta.

Troy Baker (BSM '87) is vice president of equity trading at Stephens Inc.

Susan Feldstein (BSM '87) is director of financial reporting for American Express.

Suzanne Baer (MBA '87) was promoted to executive vice president and CFO of Energy Partners Ltd.

Peter Callais (MBA '87) was named an Entrepreneur of the Year 2001 by *New Orleans CityBusiness* newspaper. Callais is president of Abdon Callais Offshore LLC.

Daniel Green (BSM '88) was appointed vice president of sales at Cybuy.

Robert A. Nelson (BSM '88) is vice president and chief operating officer of Elmer's Candy Corp.

Diana G. Purcel (BSM '88) was promoted to vice president, controller and chief accounting officer of Paper Warehouse Inc.

Michael Andry (MBA '88) was appointed market executive for Bank of America Private Bank in Asheville, N.C.

Lawrence Boudreaux III (MBA '88) was named to Peace Lake Towers board of directors. Boudreaux is president and CEO of Fidelity Homestead Association.

Todd Bloom (MBA '89) was promoted to senior manager of KPMG LLP.

Jonathan Carey (MBA '89) and wife Amy announce the birth of their daughter, Jordan Elana, on Oct. 26, 2000.

Marko Markovitch (MBA '89) is an account executive with Cox Business Services.

1990

Lynn Garofalo (BSM '90) and Steven Kohn were married June 2, 2001, in Sonoma, Calif. Garofalo is a senior manager with Deloitte Consulting.

Julie Ringold (BSM '90) and Andrew Price were married Jan. 7, 2001. Ringold is project manager of corporate insight at Continental Airlines.

John Young (BSM '90) was promoted to director of risk management international markets at American Electric Power.

Daryl Doise (MBA '90) is chairman of the Opelousas-St. Landry Chamber of Commerce.

Michelle Hyver (MBA '90) and Michael Oakes were married in February 2001 in New Orleans.

Bill Oliver (MBA '90) is president of Louisiana operations at BellSouth Telecommunications. Oliver was also elected to the UNO Foundation board.

Vinay Piparsania (MBA '90) is the vice president of external affairs for Ford India Ltd.

Mike Slemp (MBA '90) was elected to District 1 City Council in Bossier City, La., in 2001.

Michael Webber (MBA '90) is employed with Leigh Fisher Associates in Washington, D.C.

1991

Thomas Brown (BSM '91) and his wife, Elizabeth, announce the birth of their daughter, Eleanor Anne, on April 17, 2001.

Ramon Rodriguez (BSM '91) and Rosemary Odinet were married May 26, 2001, in New Orleans. Rodriguez is a resident in orthopedic surgery in Mobile, Ala.

Ashley Longwell (BSM '91) was named a partner of McGlinchey Stafford law firm in New Orleans.

Lori Lynn Avirett-Mackenzie (MBA '91) and Ken Mackenzie announce the birth of their son, Garnett Henry Thomas, on April 18, 2001.

Regina Benjamin (MBA '91) was named to the board of Florida A&M University.

Vikas Srivastava (MBA '91) was promoted to global head of e-commerce for Citibank Foreign Exchange.

Carolyn Stoltz (MBA '91) is parliamentarian officer for the 2001-02 New Orleans Estate Planning Council's executive committee.

1992

Kevin Barron (BSM '92) and his wife announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Marie. Barron is director of managed care for West Tennessee Healthcare.

Kernan Hand Jr. (BSM '92) and Dorian Lobman were married in November 2000 at the New Orleans Museum of Art.

Robert Jupiter (BSM '92) and Leslie Green were married in May 2001 in New Orleans.

Joshua Lipschutz (BSM '92) is president of HHI Group in Annapolis, Md.

David Boersma (MBA '92) and Patricia Connolly were married in March 2001 in New Orleans.

Bennett M. Holtzman (MBA '92) is director of client services at Vitalz Inc.

Karen Heller Kenny (BSM '92) and her husband, Tommy, announce the birth of their son, Jacob Alexander, on May 25, 2001.

Adam Kustin (MBA '92) has been named vice president of marketing at Experio Solutions.

Stan Morton (MBA '92) was named CEO of the Medical Center of Arlington.

Rose Quezergue (MBA '92) and Terrence Richard were married in July 1998. The couple has a daughter, Natalie, who was born Dec. 17, 1999.

Peggy Scott (MBA '92) is CFO of Pan American Life Insurance Co. in New Orleans.

Debbie Settoon (MBA '92) is an engineer at Texaco.

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Luis Zervigon (MBA '92) and his wife, Regina, announce the birth of their daughter, Mary Catherine, on May 21, 2001.

1993

Noel Pace (BSM '93) is administrative resident of Evans Army Community Hospital in Fort Carson, Colo.

Paul Callais (MBA '93) was appointed president and CEO of United Community Bank in Raceland, La.



Paul Callais

Philip Montelepre (MBA '93) was appointed to the Dept. of Economic Development task force for the state of Louisiana.

1994

Alanna Galiano (BSM '94) is product sales manager for Polycom Inc. in Atlanta.

Anindya Chatterjee (MBA '94) is head of research at ANZ Investment Bank.

Bill Mohamed (MBA '94) and Milena Salmeron were married on Sept. 16, 2000, in New Orleans.

Spencer Yu (MBA '94) is president and CEO of RunService Inc. and the founder of Sequel Technology Inc. in Taiwan.

1995

Bradley Boggess (BSM '95) is a consultant with Andersen Consulting.

Amanda Gorski (BSM '95) and Keith Butz were married April 6, 2001, at the Van Benthuyzen-Elms Mansion in New Orleans.

Heather Flick McMeekin (BSM '95) was named a security analyst at Turner Investment Partners Inc.

Terrel Rhoton Jr. (BSM '95) and Cari Pecquet were married in April 2001. Rhoton is a branch manager with American General Financial Group.

Zack Stenger (BSM '95) and **Tricia Hood Stenger** (BSM '95) announce the birth of their third child, Grace Ann, on March 8, 2001.

Sheldon Alver (MBA '95) is human resources business unit leader at Monsanto Co. in Soda Springs, Idaho.

Brenda Dulaney (MBA '95) is the CNAEP of Business Development and Planning at Chevron.

Eduardo Espinosa (MBA '95) is employed at Jenkens & Gilchrist in Dallas.

Aimee Adatto Freeman (MBA '95) and her husband, West Freeman, announce the birth of their son, Scott Goodrich Freeman, on Jan. 12, 2001.

Eric Handler (MBA '95) and **Elisa Uribe Handler** (MBA '95) announce the birth of their son, Robert Ethan, on Aug. 29, 2001.

Keith Hitchens (MBA '95) is vice chairman of finance and funding for the 2000-01 Junior Achievement of Greater New Orleans Education Foundation.

Jeffrey Johnson (MBA '95) was promoted to general manager of corporate strategy for Armstrong World Industries Inc.

Lisa Kagan (MBA '95) is a vice president at Chase Manhattan Bank in Tampa, Fla.

Joshua Kern (MBA '95) and classmates at Georgetown University will open Washington's first law-related charter school, the Thurgood Marshall Academy.

Glenn Nash (MBA '95) announces the birth of his daughter, Danielle Aridth, on Aug. 3, 2000.

Caroline Nolan Probst (MBA '95) and her husband, Brad Probst, announce the birth of their daughter, Patience Theodosia, on Nov. 20, 2000.

Elizabeth Schwarze (MBA '95) is a senior geologist for G&G Interpretation Services in California.

Lise Anne Slatten (MBA '95) is executive director of the Women's Foundation Inc. of Lafayette, La.

David Smith (MBA '95) is regional manager of Fresenius Medical Care for Oklahoma, Arkansas and West Tennessee.

Ravi Suria (MBA '95) is managing director of Duquesne Capital Management in New York.

Yvette Warren (MBA '95) is the product manager of Openwave Systems Inc.

1996

Danny Lasseigne (BSM '96) is the territory representative for Innovex Pharmaceuticals in Lafayette, La.

Anisse Peters (BSM '96) was appointed comptroller and general manager of TerraMar Managers Inc.

Jill Carter (MBA '96) is marketing manager for Compaq in Houston.

Christian Harrison (MBA '96) and Rebecca Vasquez were married on March 31, 2001, in Covington, La. Harrison is the director of business development at Tempico Inc. in Madisonville.

Alice Joe (MBA '96) is director of finance and investor relations for the Grosvenor Funds in Washington, D.C.

R. Brent Lenczycki (MBA '96) was promoted to vice president and CFO of Bradley Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Michael Morford (MBA '96) received the MacArthur Leadership Award for his contribution to the military in 2000.

Doris Pichler (MBA '96) announces the birth of her daughter, Theresa.

Catherine Schmidt (MBA '96) and John Fry were married May 26, 2001, in New Orleans.

1997

Chris Grippa (BSM '97, MACCT '98) is a senior associate with the Litigation Advisory Services Group at Ernst & Young.

Alysia Sutton (BSM '97) and Paul Fortier were married March 3, 2001, in New Orleans.

Rafael Bermudo (MBA '97) was promoted to e-business manager for Johnson & Johnson Medical Caribbean in Puerto Rico.

Craig Donahue (MBA '97) is employed at SystemLink in Virginia.

Stanley Jaskot (MBA '97) and Barbara Fourcade were married Nov. 25, 2000.

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R. Legier Kuhner (MBA '97) and Deborah Mastio were married October 27, 2000, in Dallas. Kuhner is employed by Carl E. Woodward Inc.

Yvonne Noel (MBA '97) was promoted to vice president of Virtual Strategies Inc. in Washington, D.C.



Yvonne Noel

Mary Steadman (MBA '97) is a consultant with Gensler & Associates in New York.

Bettina Tammetta (MBA '97) and Kurt Russell were married May 19, 2001, in New Orleans. Tammetta is a CPA employed by Curtis 1000 in Duluth, Ga.

Clarine Usher-Chen (MBA '97) is the assistant treasurer for CGU Life Insurance Co. in Massachusetts.

John Waterman (MBA '97) is the director of international relations for Johnson & Wales University in Rhode Island.

Stephanie Wescott (MBA '97) is a contract administrator at the University of California, San Diego.

Rick Wright (MBA '97) is employed at Chevron Overseas Petroleum Inc. in Nigeria.

1998

Filip Verfaillie (BSM '98) is employed at Arthur Andersen's M&A group in New York.

Jennifer Wolfarth (BSM '98) and Keith Kliebert were married Nov. 11, 2000.

Angela Jinghong Cao (MBA '98) and her husband, Wanli Luo, announce the birth of their son, Michael Joshua, on April 24, 2001.

Michael Cooper (MBA '98) is senior business manager at Cambridge Technology Partners in San Francisco.

Tom Grady (MBA '98) and his wife, Meg, announce the birth of their daughter, Margaret Maddix, on April 7, 2001.

David Herron (MBA '98) was promoted to vice president of Legacy Capital LLC in February 2001.

Lawrence Johnson (MBA '98) accepted the position of Delta area development manager with Entergy of Mississippi's Economic Development Department in August 2000.

Paul Kellum (MBA '98) is a contract structural engineer for Mustang Tampa Inc. in Tampa, Fla.

Johanna May (MBA '98) is project manager with 360networks in Seattle.

W. Michael Molaison (MBA '98) is the global R&D lead at Hewlett-Packard in New Orleans.

Daniel Packer (MBA '98), president and chief executive of Entergy New Orleans, has been named 2001 chairman of the regional business group.

Alvaro Patron (MBA '98) is AVP of sales and trading for Citibank/Salomon Smith Barney in New York.

Guillermo Perez-Elizundia (MBA '98) is relationship manager for Citibank in Mexico.

James Sellers (MBA '98) and Anye Mercy were married in November

2000. Sellers is a senior consultant with Houston Consulting Group.

Arun Sharma (MBA '98) is executive director of reservoir engineering and solutions at WellDynamics International in Scotland.

Aaron Watkins (MBA '98) is business development manager at Intel Corp. in Hillsboro, Ore.

1999

Dwight K. Clark (BSM '99) is a financial analyst for Entergy Nuclear Inc. in Mississippi.

Ashley Roussel (BSM '99) and Jeffrey Wienhoff were married in April 2001 in New Orleans. Roussel is an accountant for Kerber, Eck, and Braechal.

Timothy Shay (MACCT '99) and Erin McNeil were married June 2001. Shay is employed by Citizens Communications.

Tracie Boutte (MBA '99) is a board member of the 2000-2001 Junior Achievement of Greater New Orleans Education Foundation.

G. Scott Burk (MBA '99) is an associate analyst for Frost Securities Inc.

Susan Grill Couch (MBA '99) is employed at ExxonMobil Chemical Co. in Illinois.

Charles Henry III (MBA '99) and Tricia Ponthieux were married May 2001. Henry is a senior consultant at Reliant Energy in Houston.

Cory Kasimov (MBA '99) and Catherine Meretta were married in March 2001 in St. Croix, Virgin Islands. Kasimov is vice president and biotech analyst for Gruntal & Co.

2000

Michele Freeman (BSM '00) and James Novick were married in July 2001. Freeman is an accountant and auditor with Arthur Andersen.

Jeanette Grona (BSM '00) is a student naval aviator in the United States Navy.

Daniel Hugunine (BSM '00) and **Ashley Stern** (BSM '00) were married in June 2001 in Montgomery, Ala.

Mark Bitterwolf (MBA '00) and Anne Ruiz were married July 27, 2001. Bitterwolf is employed as the CEO of Uniforms By Bayou.

John Jay Charpentier (MBA '00) and Jennifer Dunlap were married in April 2001 in Fairfield, Texas. Charpentier is vice president of Dawn Services Inc.

Catherine Cox (MBA '00) is an associate of equity derivatives for J.P. Morgan in New York.

Sam Kurz (MBA '00) is CEO of Specialty Hospital, a long-term acute care hospital located within Touro Infirmary in New Orleans.

Thallam Srinivasan (MBA '00) has joined Risk Limited Corp. as an advisor for the energy sector.

Robert Williams (MBA '00) is project manager and corporate banking officer in the corporate banking division of AmSouth Bank in Birmingham, Ala.

Whitney Wootan (MBA '00) is a project control analyst for SAIC in New Orleans.

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2001

Erik Garcia (BSM '01) and Jennifer Conrad were married in the summer of 2001. Garcia is employed by

American National Insurance Co. in Baton Rouge, La.

Jane T. Bertrand (MBA '01) has joined the faculty of the Department of Population and Family Health

Sciences at Johns Hopkins University's Bloomberg School of Public Health.

ALBERT H. COHEN



Albert H. Cohen, retired senior tax partner and vice chairman of Price Waterhouse, died on Sunday, July 8, at his home in Florida. Cohen

earned his BBA from Tulane in 1946 and his MBA from Tulane in 1948. He earned a doctorate in accounting, economics and finance from the University of Michigan. Prior to his joining with Price Waterhouse, Cohen served as director of taxation for the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. While with the AICPA, he was involved in the enactment of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, the single most comprehensive tax legislation ever undertaken.

He served on the Business School Council and President's Council, and in 1989-90 he chaired the Freeman School's 75th Anniversary Challenge Grant Committee, a

fundraising effort that highlighted the school's anniversary celebration. He also played a key role in assisting with the Goldring/Woldenberg Hall building campaign and the construction of Goldring/Woldenberg Hall. Cohen and his wife, Jayne, were generous and tireless in their support of the school. Before his death, Cohen donated \$1.2 million to the Freeman School for the Jayne Ritchey Cohen Chair, and he left \$1.5 million in his will for another endowed chair.

A memorial service honoring Cohen took place at the Freeman School on Friday, Nov. 16, 2002, following a meeting of the Business School Council.

JOHN VERRETT



John J. Verrett, who oversaw catering services for the executive MBA program from its inception

in 1982 until last year, died on Dec. 29, 2001, in New Orleans. He was 84.

Verrett was born in New Orleans and attended Xavier University. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, achieving the rank of sergeant. Following his honorable discharge, Verrett served as head grounds keeper at the U.S. Public Health Hospital, a position he held for 35 years. He was also a licensed embalmer and funeral director, and he worked as a part-time waiter/bartender for 50 years.

Verrett was a familiar figure to participants in the Freeman

School's EMBA program, and one whose warm hospitality and friendly manner made even the toughest of days more agreeable. "Don't ever say they're students," Verrett said of his charges in a 1994 interview. "They're *executive* students. They run their own companies. They come into the dining room like they come into a boardroom. They don't want excuses. They don't want to waste their time."

Verrett is survived by two daughters, Joan Camille and Francine Marie; an older brother, Louis Verrett St.; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

IN MEMORIUM

- J. F. Seinsheimer Jr. (BBA '36)
- Saul Singer (BBA '36)
- Sidney D. Carp (BBA '38)
- Neil Himel Jr. ('39)
- Clyde W. Paine (BBA '40)
- Bessie Monroe Jonte (MBA '43)
- Frederic Dorian Schwarz (BBA '45)
- Albert H. Cohen (BBA '46, MBA '47)
- Earl Peters (BBA '46)
- Allen L. Teston ('46)
- Charles W. Robinson Sr. (BBA '47)
- Lester Solomon (BBA '47)
- Dr. George Thompson (MBA '48)
- Prentiss R. Boyt (BBA '50)
- Edwin Henry Heaton (BBA '55)
- Norton England (BBA '59)
- Christian A. Reuter Sr. (BBA '60)
- Charles Talbot (BBA '60)
- Thomas James Wittenberg (BBA '60)
- George Cheatham (BBA '61, MBA '62)
- Leonard Isacks Sr. ('62)
- Gail Cullen (MBA '64)
- Ernst W. Kobrow (MBA '67)
- Allan Shwartzstein (BSM '86)
- Doug Irgang (BSM '91)
- Ronald Bucca (Freeman School Friend)
- John James Verrett (Freeman School Friend)
- Dorothy Woldenberg (Freeman School Friend)