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No doubt many of you have fond memories of traditional jazz in New Orleans, or at the Club Hangover in San Francisco, or at the 1111 Club in Chicago, or at Nicks, Jimmy Ryan's or Eddie Condon's in New York. Many years ago I read in the PAW that a Dixieland Jazz band had played at the funeral of a distinguished member of the Class of 1932. I was impressed! Many years later my neighbor in Vermont (former spouse **Jim Downing**) introduced me to the gentleman's widow. When I asked her if it was her husband who had been so honored, quite startled she exclaimed "How did you know that!" (If the truth be known, it was my job as a Princeton development officer to know such things.) I propose now to honor our long serving Class Webmaster **Charlie Barham** who passed away in Cincinnati on February 3. So click now on Charlie's 1953 website and hear our Memorial Jazz Concert, starring Ed Polcer '58 who played at our 45th Reunions. **Dave Wilson** will enjoy it. None will regret it!

St. Louis furnished a great contingent for our class. We have lost several stellar members of the group (**Culver Eisenbeis, Ben Edwards, Lew Petring, Dave Sisler** and most recently **Chuck Thies**). Still among us are **Jim Burst, Clark Driemeyer, Steve Loeb, Henry Onken** and **Dick Strassner**. Clark wrote of rare sightings of Onken and Strassner. Learning of our coming 17th trip to New Zealand, he recalled good trout fishing 20 – 30 years ago on western streams with Thies and **Ken Read** of Louisville. Steve wrote that he, too, has good memories of browns and rainbows in CO, MT and WY and now winters in Scottsdale where golf keeps him busy and, happily, in continuing good health. The Class will welcome more news from St. Louis.