RONALD CLARE BABCOCK

After graduation Ron commenced nuclear submarine training in New London, Ct. in July and upon completion reported aboard THRESHER (SSN-593). In 1962 he married Martha Robertson of Rockville, MD. Tragically, he was lost, along with classmate Jim Henry, in the sinking of THRESHER in April 1963. His daughter, Beth, was born after his death. Tragedy befell the Class of 1960 with the loss of the USS THRESHER (SSN-593) on 10 April 1963, for on board were two of our classmates, RON BABCOCK and JIM HENRY. How it all happened, no one knows, but we do know that we will miss these two competent young sailors of the deep who gave their lives to what General MacArthur calls "the most worthy of causes: service to our country".

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