Throughout our years at Babson College, we have developed many skills that will help us to succeed in life. These years have poured the foundation on which we will build the rest of our lives. The friends, the memories, the lifelong lessons, the whole Babson experience has shaped us into the people we are today. An important part of that experience was President Bill Glavin who has helped lay the foundation for Babson's future. His hard work and dedication to the students, faculty, and staff brought this small New England college into the global spotlight. This school has shone brightly throughout his presidency, and we will continue to take great pride in continuing his traditions of hard work and dedication to the Babson community. Not only has he built a solid foundation for students' lives, but he has also brought us Van Winkle, the Olin Center and the new Student Center. We, the class of 1997, recognize the accomplishments and devotion to Babson of President Glavin and therefore are honored to dedicate the 1997 Babsonian to President William F. Glavin.
President Glavin Strides Through a Day on Campus
Members of the Class of 1997

As you prepare to graduate from Babson, let me extend my heartiest congratulations to you for all that you have accomplished during your years here. As individuals and as a class, you should be extremely proud of the role that you have played in strengthening Babson College. I have had the opportunity to meet nearly all of you, and I want you to know how impressed I am with your dedication to excellence both in and out of the classroom.

As you read this issue of the Babsonian, I’m certain that it will bring back many memories of your years at the College. Remember, also, that you earned your degree from the finest undergraduate school of management in the country, and that your Babson education has prepared you well for the new challenges and opportunities that you will meet when you graduate.

As Cis and I prepare to move on to a new chapter in our lives, I would also like to thank you for making our time at Babson so very enjoyable. Babson is a very special place, and it will always occupy a warm spot in our hearts.

I congratulate you and wish you the very best as you move into a new and exciting chapter of your life. I hope that you will enjoy whatever you decide to do in the years ahead and that you will return to Babson often as active, loyal, and supportive alumni.

Sincerely,

William F. Glavin

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“He was more than a captain. If we could take just a little of what he taught us, the world would be such a better place.” Tommy Boland, Close Friend.

“He was the kind of guy who would give you the shirt off his back...And I want everyone to know what a great person he was.” Brent Larson, Close Friend.

“He was like a son. His sense of humor was outstanding. He was everything you could want in a leader. Michael gave his love and never asked for anything in return.” Richard Echlov, Swim Team Coach.

“An outstanding student, athlete, and friend.” Alan Cohen, Academic Vice President, Babson College.”

“He was an extraordinary young man—decent smart, talented, interested and interesting.” Elaine M. Landry, Professor, Babson College.

BFP, November 14, 1996.