

IN MEMORIAM

LEBARON “BARRY” C. COLT III  
1929–2006

Barry Colt of Suffield, Connecticut died on 29 March 2006 in Hartford, Connecticut after a short illness. Barry was born on 2 May 1929 in Boston and was the son of LeBaron C. Colt Jr. and Josephine (Jewell) Colt Williams. He is survived by his wife Joyce of 53 years, two sons, and three daughters, six grandchildren, and a sister.

Barry was a graduate of the class of 1947 from Nobel and Greenough School. His undergraduate education was at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut in the class of 1953. He attended the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Florida from 1956–1960. He was awarded two National Science Foundation grants where he participated in science education programs during 1960–1961 at Florida State University and Penn State University. In 1965 he earned his Ph.D. in phycological ecology from Boston University.

Barry had short teaching assignments at the Fenn School in Concord, Massachusetts; The Everglades School for Girls in Coconut Grove, Florida; and Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, Massachusetts. After he was awarded his Ph.D., Barry joined the faculty of the Biology Department of Boston State College in 1965. There, he taught ecology until the college was closed in 1982. While at Boston State College, he advanced to the rank of Professor. In 1982 he had a short tenure at the University of Massachusetts Boston, and later that year transferred to the Biology Department of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. While at UMass Dartmouth he was the Chairman of the Biology Department and Acting Director of the Center for Marine Science and Technology. Barry retired in 2000.

Barry’s research interests were concentrated on freshwater algae, particularly with the genus *Basycladia*, the green algae found on the shells of snapping turtles. He had numerous publications concerned with the ecology and taxonomy of New England algae. His major contribution was “A Guide to the Algae of New England—as reported in the literature from 1829–1989.” This was placed on the Marine Biological Labs data base (Woods Hole, Massachusetts).