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I regret to officially confirm the passing away of two Classmates since the thirtieth reunion. They are Jose **(Chico) Chavez** (19th) at the VA Hospital in Castle Point, N.Y. on 1 November 1990 and Jim Littlefield (13th) on 14 November 1990 of cancer at United Hospital, St. Paul, Minn. I am expecting some additional personal bio stuff from Jim's widow, Bonnie, which didn't make this issue. I know Jim was with us at the end because he entered his family in the thirtieth reunion book, but became too weak to finish his bio in time. According to Bonnie, Jim was able to read the book and explain some of his previous life in the Navy to his younger, Brianne, now seven; something very important to making her grief easier. We deeply regret the passing on of these men at so early an age and offer our condolences to their families and loved ones. Sadly, we lost Chico after he had for many, many years served us as secretary of the Class. That we didn't find out about his death for a year afterward is precisely what I hope to avoid by Keeping the Momentum Rolling.

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