

CAS Past President (1996-1997)

Robert A. Anker (FCAS 1972)

1941–2023

Robert A. Anker, 81, of Carmel, Indiana, died in August 2023. He was born in Austin, Minnesota, to the late Alvin and Ruth (McGuire) Anker and graduated from Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin, where he earned his degree in mathematics. Anker's career as an actuary and insurance executive began at Employers Insurance of Wausau in 1964 and brought him to American States Insurance in Indianapolis in 1974. He retired from American States as chair and CEO at the end of 1997. In his retirement, Anker enjoyed trips to his home in Santa Fe, New Mexico, solving Sudoku and crossword puzzles, and celebrating the arts. He was happiest having fun and making memories with his family and friends. Anker loved the arts and served on the boards of the Indiana Repertory Theatre, the Indianapolis Art Center, Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, the International Violin Competition of Indianapolis and the Fort Wayne Philharmonic. His civic involvement included the Washington Township School Board and the Indianapolis and Fort Wayne Chambers of Commerce. He was proud to have served as a trustee of his alma mater. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, John Anker. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Pat; children Sean (Loni Dishong) Anker, Kevin (Julli) Anker, Jennifer Anker and Jackie (Matt) Allman; aunt, Shirley Madison; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; his extended family as well as many friends and associates.