

As a linguist, Karl Dykema knew the limitations of words. Today we ironically experience these very limitations in paying tribute to him. But words are all we have with which to express our respect for Dean Dykema.

Last week, the community paid tribute to Dean Dykema in the local press. Tuesday, the two Presidents of this university solemnly eulogized a devoted friend and colleague in a memorial service attended by friends and faculty. Now, we as students take time to pay our respect for the man who served as our dean.

He has been praised as a scholar and an administrator, but students will remember him as a teacher and a human being. And as President Emeritus Howard W. Jones observed in his eulogy of Dean Dykema, "he taught persons, not classes." In addition to his scholarship, his objectivity, patience, and perceptiveness characterized his teaching.

We shall not see his like again.