Craddock Matthew “Sandy” Gilmour, age 83, died on June 16 of respiratory failure following complications from a heart procedure at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. Born in Salt Lake City, Utah, he was the eldest of six sons of Craddock Matthew and Jessica Roberts Gilmour.

A graduate of Olympus High School and the University of Utah, Sandy studied at Downing College, University of Cambridge, where he freelanced for the Associated Press and rowed competitively. He served as an Army lieutenant in Germany before beginning a distinguished career in journalism.

Sandy worked for local radio and television stations in Salt Lake City and went on to report for the Associated Press, CBS, and NBC News. His reporting covered the civil rights movement, Cold War events, the U.S. invasion of Grenada, and international hostage crises. As NBC bureau chief in China and Moscow, he reported on historic events and became the only American correspondent to obtain footage of Mathias Rust after his unauthorized landing in Red Square. He also served as chief White House correspondent during President George H.W. Bush’s administration.

A gifted storyteller, musician, pilot, and devoted husband, Sandy is survived by his wife, Karen Gilmour; his brothers, William, Duncan, Ridgely, and Mark Gilmour; his nephew, Dr. Matthew Gilmour; and his nieces, Jessica Gilmour and Katrina Revenaugh.

A celebration of Sandy’s life will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 24, at St. James Episcopal Church in Woodstock, Vermont. A second service will be held in Salt Lake City at a later date; details to be announced as they become available.