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Williams

Documenting the many faces of Williams.

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Jim: "I am **experiences/ideas/feelings** gathered over 71 years that **grow** in a field—like flowers/grasses/trees over the seasons of life. Some of the **seeds were planted** at Williams in the early '50s. New seeds are being planted today."



Ed: "Upstate New York small-town boy who **returned** to his rural roots as a country lawyer and judge. **Father, husband and lover of wilderness.** Descendant of Ephraim Amidon, a private at the Battle of Bennington."

THE REV. **JIM SYMONS** '56 (LEFT) AND **ED AMIDON** '56

"As a student: agitating for change, for queer students, for women, for students of color. In the classroom: **transformed** by new **ideas**. As a professor: teaching queer theory, women's and gender studies, tutorials on Whitman and Dickinson. **Working** to sustain community. Mother, avid cook, yard saler, and, recently, disabled. **Never forgetting** how hard it was."



KATIE KENT '88, WILLIAMS ASSOCIATE PROF. OF ENGLISH AND CHAIR OF WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES, WITH HER DAUGHTER **RUTH WEAVER**, AGE 3