Leo J. Thomas



Thomas, Leo J.

Naples, FL: Leo John Thomas, formerly of Pittsford passed away 4/11/2011 in Naples, FL. He is survived by his wife of 52 years Joanne, their four children and their spouses: son Chris (Kathy) Thomas of Northport, NY, son Greg (Elise) Thomas of York, PA, daughter Cindy (Dave) MacLean of Wayland, MA and son Jeff (Kim) Thomas of Jobstown, NJ. He was a proud Grandfather of 12 - Kelly, Michael, Eric, Jack, Emma, Annmarie, Megan, Joseph, Sean, Derrick, Julia & Brad. He is also survived by his sister Mary Jo Dunn of Roanoke, VA, nieces and cousins. Dr. Thomas worked at Eastman Kodak Company for over 35

years starting in the Research Labs. He served as Director of Research, Executive Vice President, Group Vice President for Kodak, and served as Chairman of Kodak subsidiary Sterling Drug Company. Dr. Thomas retired in May 1996. He served as Director of Eastman Kodak, Director of Global Crossing North America Inc. (fka Frontier Corp) and Director of Unigraphics Solutions Inc.

A native of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, Dr. Thomas received a B.S. degree in chemical engineering from the University of Minnesota, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in chemical engineering from the University of Illinois. He held an honorary doctor of engineering degree from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Dr. Thomas was a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, National Academy of Engineering and a founding fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering and an honorary member of the Society of Imaging Science and Technology.

Known as Jack by everyone, he was a lifelong fisherman, world traveler and lover of the arts, fine wine, and family. He will be sorely missed.

Memorial Service to be held at: St. Joachim Chapel, Naples FL 9:30 AM Saturday, 4/16/2011. In lieu of Flowers please send donations to: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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