



Richard A. Laskey

October 24, 1936 - February 12, 2018

Richard A. Laskey, Ph.D., 81, passed away February 12, 2018, at his home in Virginia Beach, VA. Born in Staten Island, NY, he was the son of the late Gertrude Stolzenhaler Laskey and Charles L. Laskey, Sr. Prior to moving to Virginia Beach, Dr. Laskey resided in Washington (Warren County) and Saddle Brook, NJ.

Dr. Laskey received a B.S. in Chemistry from CCNY, an M.S. in Organic Chemistry from Ohio City College, and a Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from Sussex (Eng.) University. He served as Section Head of Medical Products and Lab Manager at Hydron Labs, North Brunswick, NJ; Vice President of Biomedical Research at Datascope Corp, Oakland, NJ; Vice President of Research at Hydro Optics, Hackensack, NJ; and Vice President of Research at Millbrook Labs, Rochelle Park, NJ. Dr. Laskey holds numerous patents in acrylamido hydrophilic polymers in the fields of soft contact lenses and medical devices, and also published numerous papers on these subjects.

Dr. Laskey was a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation, the Society of Research Administrators, and an Emeritus Fellow in the American Institute of Chemists. In January 2018, Marquis Who's Who recognized Dr. Laskey's accomplishments by granting him their "Lifetime Achievement Award." Dr. Laskey was also a member of the New York City

Auxiliary Police, the Special Police in Saddle Brook, NJ, the NRA, and the First Police Precinct Citizens' Advisory Committee, Virginia Beach, VA.

Dr. Laskey is survived by his wife of 42 years, Frances Pollack Laskey; a brother and sister-in-law, Charles L. and Alice Laskey, Jr. of Plantation, FL; daughters Victoria Ann (Mrs. Steven) Haight of Dighton, MA and Deborah Lea (Mrs. Anthony) Cuocco of Virginia Beach; grandchildren Jennifer (Mrs. Isaac) Harrop, of Dighton, MA; Anthony Cuocco, Jr. of Virginia Beach, VA; and Leanna Cuocco of Virginia Beach, VA. He will also be sadly missed by his brother- and sister in-law John and Ellen Pollack; sisters-in-law Dolores Kilinski, Diana Pollack, and Margaret Pollack; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First Police Precinct Citizens' Advisory Committee, PO Box 56166, Virginia Beach, VA 23456 or one's favorite charity in Dr. Laskey's name.

Cemetery Details

St. Michael's Cemetery

120 Saddle River Avenue
South Hackensack, NJ 07606

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 22. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Kamienski Funeral Home of Wallington
106 Locust Avenue
Wallington, NJ 07057

Chapel Service at Funeral Home

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard A. Laskey*

September 27, 2023 at 07:17 AM



“ *I still remember how excited I was to meet Uncle Rich when my Aunt Honey let us know she was getting married. He was always incredibly kind and thoughtful, even to a small boy who loved to jabber about dinosaurs. He was always so humble and down to earth. You would never know of all his amazing accomplishments and achievements, although it was not surprising as his keen intelligence and perception was readily evident in conversations. A few years ago we were able to spend time together at the beach with my children and despite dealing with some medical issues, he continued to be kind, engaging, and warm, maintaining his great sense of humor.*

Chris Pollack - February 23, 2018 at 05:09 PM

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“ *I will always remember my Uncle Rich as a very kind hearted, caring, and intelligent man. It was always a pleasure to see, and speak with him. His ability to bring insight and knowledge to any discussion, along with his ability to share a laugh will be forever remembered, and truly missed. May he rest in peace.*

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Daniel Kilinski - February 21, 2018 at 07:29 AM