



Joseph Howard Bumsted

March 25, 2013

JOSEPH HOWARD BUMSTED, age 82, of Willow Street, PA, died March 24, 2013 at Willow Valley. Born in Montclair, NJ on September 5, 1930, Joseph was the son of the late Joseph Howard and Mary Eleanor McBurney Bumsted. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Rebecca Sheffey Bumsted.

Joe was accomplished, thoughtful and viewed the world with great fascination and humor. One of his greatest joys was his extensive worldwide travels and the time spent with his family. A 1948 graduate of Deerfield Academy in Deerfield, MA, Joe was awarded a BA in Economics from Williams College in 1952. Joe spent 25 successful years in sales and marketing in the fashion and textile industries, most notably with Glen Raven Mills, J.P. Stevens & Co., Leon Ferenbach, and Rohm & Hass Corp. From 1977-1990, He held a variety of key leadership roles at Woodstream Corp., in Lititz, PA and continued to offer his insight and business acumen as a marketing consultant to several businesses and philanthropies over the next 14 years.

Distinguished by sincere generosity and kindness, Joe's devotion to his community was extensive. During his 21 years in Pelham, NY, Joe served as Chairman of the United Fund of Pelham, NY, board member of the United Fund of Westchester County, NY, and as former arbitrator on the General Arbitration Council. Joe's energetic dedication to the community continued after moving to Lancaster where he served on the boards of the Historic

Preservation Trust, Lancaster Chapter American Diabetes Association, Visiting Nurse Association, Lancaster General Hospital, and Lancaster County Conservancy. He also participated in the Lancaster School District mentoring program at Lafayette School. Joe was a member of First Presbyterian Church and Psi Upsilon Fraternity at Williams College. He was an avid golf enthusiast and member at Lancaster Country Club, Pine Valley Golf Club, and Pelham (NY) Country Club. A Type 1 diabetic for 67 years, Joe was a participant in the Joslin 50-Year Medalist Study at Joslin Diabetes Center, affiliated with Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA.

In addition to his devoted wife, Becky, survivors include his children, Joseph Howard Bumsted and wife Susan of Great Falls, VA, and Mary Ellyn Bumsted of Maynard, MA; two granddaughters, Rachael Lowell Bumsted and Jessica Hillary Bumsted; and two nephews, Bruce Mann of Mason, NH and Ward Mann of Lancaster, PA. His parents, and sister, Barbara Bumsted Mann Shand, predeceased him.

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation to staff at The Glen at Willow Valley for their outstanding care and unfaltering devotion to Joe. A Memorial service will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 140 E. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA. The family will greet friends at the church from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Interment will be private at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Lancaster County Conservancy, P.O. Box 716, Lancaster, PA 17608-0716; Mathias J. Brunner Nursing Education Fund, Willow Valley Retirement Communities, 600 Willow Valley Square, Lancaster, PA 17602 or Joslin Diabetes Center, Development Office, One Joslin Place, Boston, MA 02215.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Howard Bumsted*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Becky,
Thanks for letting us know. Joe was a cool cousin.
Mac n Barb Storm*

Barb & Mac Storm - April 09, 2013 at 03:17 PM



“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Tom & Deb Riley - March 28, 2013 at 08:12 AM



“ *Ted,
Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your father. We always
enjoyed the times we got together with Joe when he visited you in
Chicago. You and the girls were a big part of his life and I know he
loved all of you as you loved him. Our thoughts and prayers are with
you and your family at this difficult time.
Ed & Austine Murphy*

Ed & Austine Murphy - March 27, 2013 at 09:24 AM