



Richard O. Moebius

July 26, 2025

Richard O. Moebius, 95, of Willow Valley Communities, passed away on Saturday, July 26, 2025. He was born in Dresden, Germany, as the son of Industrialist Arthur Moebius and his wife, Lissy (Rasch) Moebius.

After the 1946 total expropriation of his family's holdings (along with those of all East German Industry) through the Russian Military Occupation Administration, he completed his schooling and engineering education in West Germany.

After emigrating to Canada in 1957, he settled in the Lancaster area in early 1960 and was employed by the former Raybestos Manhattan Company in Manheim, Pennsylvania.

He retired in 1988 as a Manager of Manufacturing. His interests were many, mostly shared by his dearly beloved wife, Heide, with whom he enjoyed sixty-six years of happy marriage; they married on February 5, 1959. Richard's hobbies included Classical Music, Photography, worldwide travel to over 40 countries, reading and writing poetry, animal welfare and all kinds of sports: Tennis, many years of membership in the Lancaster Ski Club and with the Lancaster Road Runners (where, in later life, he coached his wife to national prominence and eventually the 2019 induction into the Lancaster County Sports Hall of Fame), and especially a 20+ year soccer career, playing among others for the nine-time All-German Champion 1. FC Nuremberg, and as

captain of the 1959 Eastern Canadian All-Stars. In 1970, he became the founding president of the highly successful Lancaster United Soccer Club.

Richard is survived by his wife, Heide Moebius, his two sisters, Maria, wife of Dieter Lippman, and Christine Schminke, all of Nuremberg, Germany, his brother-in-law, Jochen Vorndran, and family in the Stuttgart, Germany area: seven nephews, nieces, and many great-nephews and great-nieces. A third sister, Josephine, wife of Mike Bass of Dallas, TX, preceded him in death.

According to his wishes, there will be no viewing, and the funeral arrangements will be private.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Lancaster Conservancy, 117 South West End Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17603.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My heart skipped a beat when I read this tonight. What a wonderful interesting kind man. Oh Heidi my heart hurts for you. All my love to you.*

Dianne Shepherd - August 07, 2025 at 12:23 AM

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“ *Heide, our deepest sympathy goes to you at this sad time. Dave remembered a few times of good conversations with Richard following tennis matches you played. Know that we are thinking of you. With sympathy and friendship, Dave & Nancy Henry*

Nancy Henry - August 05, 2025 at 10:15 PM

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“ *Mr. Moebius was a kind and generous man. He was one of my father's best friends and remember also his contribution to the beautiful game of soccer in the Lancaster area when there was none. Always remember going to Wilshire Hills with the Kicker magazine and talking soccer. A GREAT man. Mrs. Moebius my thoughts and prayers are with you. Paul "Paulie" Stubenrauch*

Paul Stubenrauch - August 03, 2025 at 08:24 PM

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“ *Some years ago, Heide and I enjoyed playing tennis together. Richard would often meet Heide as we finished our games and I had the pleasure of talking to both of them. Richard was always interesting and charming. I cannot picture either Heide or Richard without each other. Heide you are in my thoughts and prayers. 💕*

susan Rebert - August 03, 2025 at 04:11 PM

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“ *I believe I had(have) a 30-yr friendship with Richard & Heide. Fondest memories are at the many road races together where Richard always encouraged me & took lots of pictures of Heide & myself. He will truly be missed. Love, Mimi*

Mimi Newcomer - August 03, 2025 at 11:20 AM