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Lloyd T. Crow, age 92, died on November 9, 2009 of a heart attack in his home in Lewes, Delaware. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Elizabeth Newton Crow, his daughter Elisabeth Crow Zajic of Lewes, his son Lloyd A. Crow of Sunnyvale, California, his niece Michelle MacDonald of Truckee, California, and his nephew Peter MacDonald of Los Altos, California.

Born in 1917, Mr. Crow was the son of Lloyd Benjamin Crow who pioneered X-Ray radiology, and grandson of the man who led the largest wagon train, a thousand wagons, that crossed the plains to California in the mid 19th Century, and about which a book and several movies were made. Lloyd T. "Buzz" Crow was educated in San Francisco and by the Jesuits in Belgium. He played football for and got an engineering degree from Stanford University in Palo Alto, California where he met and married another student, his wife Elizabeth Newton of Douglas, Wyoming. Mr. Crow spent his entire distinguished career of forty years working for Bechtel Corporation. He directed projects building oil refineries in Texas, California, Canada, and later spent twenty years abroad with his family, building refineries in France, England, Belgium, Germany, and finally an ammonia plant in Zambia. His many years in Paris, France were his favorites as he was fluent in French and gourmet connoisseur of French cuisine and fine wines. His other interests included golf, literature, and opera. He was also a history buff and collector of rare medals and coins.

Mr. Crow and his wife retired to Delaware in 1990, living for seventeen years in Hockessin. He was a member of the University and Whist Club of Wilmington, where the Crows have many friends. Two years ago the Crows moved to Lewes, DE, to be near their daughter and her husband, Elisabeth and Michael Zajic on Red Mill Pond. Mr. Crow always wore a hallmark jacket and tie; he stood out as the gentleman he was. He was a model of courtesy and charm to all. An hour before he died he told his beloved wife, "Thank you for taking such good care of me." Then, in a typical act of chivalry, though suffering from advanced angina, he insisted on taking from her the laundry basket and carrying it to the laundry room, after which he suffered a final heart attack. His family and many friends will miss him greatly.



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All service for Mr. Crow are private. Arrangements by Parsell Funeral Homes and Crematorium, Lewes, DE.

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