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John "Jack" J. Stevenson, age 83, of Milton, DE, passed away on Sunday, June 1, 2014 at Beebe Healthcare in Lewes, DE. He was born on March 26, 1931 in Philadelphia, PA, son of John J. Sr. and Eleanor (Yonaitis) Stevenson.

Mr. Stevenson graduated from LaSalle University in Philadelphia, PA, where he received his bachelor's degree in 1964. After college, he joined the United States Naval Reserves and was honorably discharged in 1967. He had a lifelong career with AT&T working in both craft and managerial positions over many dedicated years of service. He was an active parishioner of St' Joseph's Catholic Church in Spring Valley, NY, St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Nanuet, NY and later at St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church in Lewes, DE, He served these parishes as a religious education instructor, a lector and as a Eucharistic minister. He served on the Board of Governors of the Sussex Family YMCA for 17 years. Mr. Stevenson and his family were very active in sports. He was a long time coach of many different sports, especially basketball and softball. In the 1970's, he became the co-founder of the first girls softball organization in Rockland County, NY. Over the last fifteen years, Jack continued to coach basketball for the YMCA youth leagues, helping hundreds of youngsters learn his favorite sport. He was also an avid reader and a trivia sports expert as well as a lifelong devoted fan of the St. Louis Cardinals. You could often find Mr. Stevenson at Grotto's Grand Slam in Lewes watching a game and showing off his sports trivia knowledge.

Mr. Stevenson was a loving father, husband, grandfather, great-grandfather, cousin, brother, brother in law and a dear friend who will be missed by all who knew him. Most importantly, Mr. Stevenson was a family man who cherished his family and friends above all else.

Mr. Stevenson was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Anne Stevenson (Devlin) in 2001 and his sister, Eleanor Stevenson Chase. He is survived by his three sons: James Stevenson and his wife Honorable Elma Bellini of Webster, NY, Daniel Stevenson and his wife Angela of Bergenfield, NJ and John Stevenson and his wife Ginamarie of Wheaton, IL; three daughters: Marie Wipper and her husband James of Massapequa, NY, Nancy Guardino and her husband Anthony of



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Smithtown, NY and Joanne Giordano and her husband Richard of Stony Point, NY; seventeen grandchildren: Brendan and his wife Rabia, Kevin, Danielle, Katie, Dana, Connor, Quinn, Michael, Louis, Carrie, Tory, Marisa, Leighann, Daniel, Alana, Jennifer and Charles; two great-grandchildren: Jack and Noelle; and numerous cousins, extended family and dear friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, June 5, 2014, at 11:00 AM, at St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church, 152 Tulip Drive, Lewes, DE, where friends may call beginning at 10:00 AM. Friends may also call from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, where a short prayer service will start at 7:00 PM. Interment will be held on Friday, June 6, 2014 at 1:00 PM at St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery, 36 W. Nyack Road, Nanuet, NY 10954.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Stevenson's memory to Sussex Family YMCA, 105 Church Street, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971.

Please sign Mr. Stevenson's guestbook located on this site.

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LD

Leonetta Doyle posted:

Dear Stevenson Family: It is with deep sadness that I have just read about Jack's passing. Mary Anne and I were Eucharist Ministers together and following her death and my move to PA, Jack and I have remained email friends. "You will forever have a friend in PA" Jack as the license reads. With sincere heartfelt condolences. Leonetta

July 10 at 8:00 PM

LS

Lou Ann Sullivan posted:

I was so so sad to hear that Jack had passed away. I am glad I had the opportunity to know him. He was always so kind to me. There wasn't a time that went by that Jack didn't stop by after mass to say hi and see how I was doing, and visa versa. I would look for him every Sunday. I was honored to know your dad, he was a great man, he always spoke so lovingly of his family. It was just a short while ago that I saw him once again at church before he went to stay with his family. What a wonderful man! My deepest condolences.....Lou Ann Sullivan

June 8 at 8:00 PM

BC

Barbara Chase posted:

My Uncle, Godfather, and friend. You will be missed. Love, Barbara and Bryson.

June 4 at 8:00 PM

BS

Bill @ Mary Stevenson posted:

Many fond thoughts of Jack from my youth. Jack was an usher at the Eagles games at Connie Mach Stadium. He called and asked if I was interested in joining him as an usher. It paid \$2.00 per game. He told me even though I was only 15 and the required age was 18, he could arrange it. Jack still ushered in the end zone but was hoping for a better placement but I should be expected to be assigned the end zone. Somehow they crossed the two Stevensons up and for the next 3 years I was assigned the 50 yard line. Jack remained in the end zone. God bless him and his family.

June 4 at 8:00 PM

BC

Barbara Chase November 13 at 11:40 PM

My uncle, I didn't know about this story.



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LW

Lauri Weeks posted:

We will miss you Jack! Your tireless efforts on behalf of the YMCA and your unending support of our staff, programs and facility make you a friend of the Y who will always be in our hearts. Your kindness and compassion for all those who knew you will be missed each and every day. With love and sadness, we say goodbye.

June 3 at 8:00 PM

MM

Marty McLaren posted:

Jack will be fondly remembered as a true gentleman. His love of family and friends was always reflected in his genuine concern, kindness and ability to see the bright side of life. He will be missed by many and forgotten by none.

June 3 at 8:00 PM

EP

Earl And Lois Peters posted:

We will miss seeing Jack at the YMCA. He always had a smile and a greeting everywhere we would see him.

June 2 at 8:00 PM

TS

The Oxbrough's posted:

Joann/Rich, We are sorry for your loss. Our Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Gary/Marge

June 2 at 8:00 PM

DC

Diane Costello posted:

We will miss you Jack, but will always remember your smile and greeting as we made a splash in the pool at the "Y. God bless you. and may you rest in peace. Sincerely, Diane Costello

June 2 at 8:00 PM



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Rachel Veasey Cowart posted:

We loved having Jack on our Trivia team even though he talked all thru the questions and we constantly had to have them repeated. He will be greatly missed.

June 2 at 8:00 PM



John And Joanne Roslan posted:

We will miss seeing you in church. we both enjoyed hearing you lecture at mass. Our deepest sympathy to your family!

June 2 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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