



Ralph Conrad Ziegler, Jr.

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Ralph C. Ziegler Jr., age 88, of Lewes, DE passed away on Wednesday, November 25, 2015 at the Delaware Hospice Center in Milford, DE. He was born on July 19, 1927 in Pittsburgh, PA, son of the late Ralph C. Ziegler, Sr. and Maud (Allison) Ziegler.

Mr. Ziegler proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy from September 14, 1945 to August 3, 1946 toward the end of World War II. He also served in the U.S. Army from January 9, 1951 to January 8, 1953 during the Korean War. Following his honorable discharge, Mr. Ziegler embarked on a 36 year career with the Aluminum Company of America (ALCOA) from which he retired on July 1, 1986 as a District Administrative Manager.

Mr. Ziegler was a long time member of Lewes Presbyterian Church where he faithfully served in the church's financial leadership and management for the past 20 years. He helped establish and build up the church's Endowment Fund and was instrumental in planning the addition to the church's restoration project. His care and service extended beyond his own congregation as he provided financial assistance to several other churches within the denomination in the surrounding area.

Mr. Ziegler was also involved in the Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) where he served for ten years as a free, expert business mentor providing practical action plans, education and tools to help young entrepreneurs start and establish their business. He also served as a Docent for Lewes Historical Society's Cannonball House.

When time permitted, Mr. Ziegler loved spending a day on the golf course, playing bridge with friends or going to the beach with his family. He was a master at crossword puzzles and enjoyed solving Sudoku puzzles.

His love and dedication to service touched many in his church and beyond. He will be dearly missed by his family and those who knew him.



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In addition to his parents, Mr. Ziegler was preceded in death by his brother, Rev. Herbert Ziegler. He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Eleanor K. Ziegler; two sons: Ralph C. Ziegler, III and his wife Julie of San Diego, CA and George Ziegler and his wife Lisa of Cincinnati, OH; two daughters: Alison Banister of Detroit, MI and Meg Pryor of Port Vedra Beach, FL; eight grandchildren: Daniel, Ryan and Lindsay Banister, Payton Pryor, Abby and Griffin, Ryan and Sarah Ziegler; and four nieces who were very special to him. The Zieglers had many pets over the years, but he will be greatly missed by Mr. P (Precious), their cat.

Funeral Services were held on Saturday, November 28, 2015 at Lewes Presbyterian Church, Lewes, DE.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Ziegler's memory to Lewes Presbyterian Church, Endowment Fund, 133 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE 19958.

Please sign the guestbook located on this site.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED BY 4:00 PM ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2015 TO PARSELL FUNERAL HOMES, LEWES, DE.



Events

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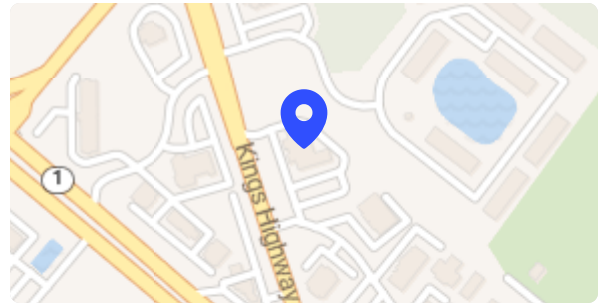
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Friends May Call

 **Saturday**, November 28, 2015

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Atkins-Lodge Chapel - Lewes**
16961 Kings Hwy, Lewes DE 19958

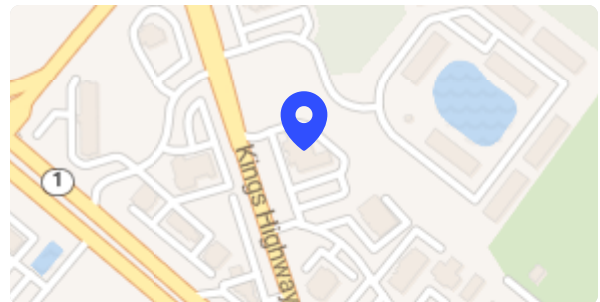


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Interment

 **Saturday**, November 28, 2015

 12:00 PM ET

 **Lewes Presbyterian Cemetery**
113 Kings Highway, Lewes DE





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BB

Bill Baughman lit a candle in honor of Ralph.

Dear Ellie and family: So sorry for your loss. I will keep you all in my prayers. God bless you and help you through this time. Love Bill Baughman and family

December 17 at 5:18 AM



CP

Claudia Pryor posted:

Dear Ellie and family: How blessed you were, Ellie, to have this wonderful man in your life for 58 years. I just read his obituary and he was well respected and loved by not only his family, but many friends and associates. May God wrap his arms around you all, and in time, may the wonderful memories you shared warm your heart with appreciation for a life well lived. Love and hugs, Claudia Pryor

December 12 at 1:47 AM

SP

Susan Patton posted:

Dear Mrs. Ziegler, Meg, George, Alison, & Chip, My prayers are with you this Christmas season and hope that memories of Mr. Ziegler will comfort you during this time. I will always have fond memories of the Ziegler household, and Elk Lodge with all of you. Mr. Ziegler, with his pipe in hand, was always making quiet but funny comments, he was such a part of the wonderful humor your household emanated. I know he will be dearly missed by all of you, you are in my thoughts. Take good care of each other, Susie (Lamson) Patton

December 11 at 2:52 PM

SF

Susan Fisher posted:

Mrs. Ziegler, Please accept my sympathy in the loss of your husband. I always enjoyed waiting on him when he came to Lloyd's Market. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Susan Fisher

November 28 at 4:09 PM



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Tina lit a candle in honor of Ralph.

To the Zieglers, Jim and I are so sorry to hear of your loss. We were fortunate to have met Ralph and Eleanor when they came to visit George and Lisa and loved every minute we got to spend with the two of them. We have been thinking of all of you at this difficult time and will keep you's in our prayers. Jim & Tina
LienemannMason, Ohio



November 28 at 4:19 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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