



Leon Mesrop Toroian

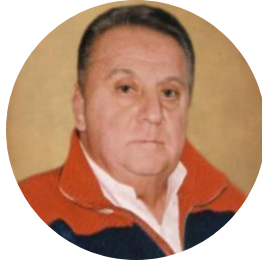
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Leon Mesrop Toroian, age 86 of Lewes, DE, passed away surrounded by family, in the early morning of Saturday, August 7, 2021, at his home. He was born on November 21, 1934 in Philadelphia, PA, the youngest of four children of the late Krekor and Anna Toroian, both survivors of the Armenian Genocide.

While growing up in Philadelphia, Leon helped in the family candy and ice cream factory during busy holidays. He was an artist and interior designer, with a Master's Degree in Fine Art from the original Philadelphia College of Art. During the early part of his career, he was the head designer for John Wanamaker in Philadelphia, as well as JW Sloane in Washington DC. Leon's contemporary designs were used in airports, the cruise port of Miami, government offices, and homes around the US and Caribbean. Eventually he opened his own design firm in Main Line Philadelphia until retiring in the late 1990s.

Though a talented and successful designer and business owner, Leon's greatest pride was his only child, Cassandra, spending his weekends taking her to tennis tournaments as she grew up, and encouraging her to follow her passions as she chose a career path in finance.

Leon spent his time painting, gardening during the spring and summer, and baking Armenian breads and pastries. He was a Philadelphia Eagles fan and enjoyed watching games with his daughter on weekends.

In addition to his parents, Leon was preceded in death by his eldest brother, Simon; his older sister, Helen; and his older brother, George. He is survived by his beloved wife, Marguerite; his devoted daughter, Cassandra; his "dog son," Zippy; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 11:00 AM, at St. Andrew the Apostle Orthodox Church, 33384 Mackenzie Way, Lewes, DE. Interment will be held on Tuesday, August 17, 2021, at 11:00 AM, at Arlington Cemetery, 2900 State Road, Drexel Hill, PA.



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Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



Events

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Flowers

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

3:00 PM ET

Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



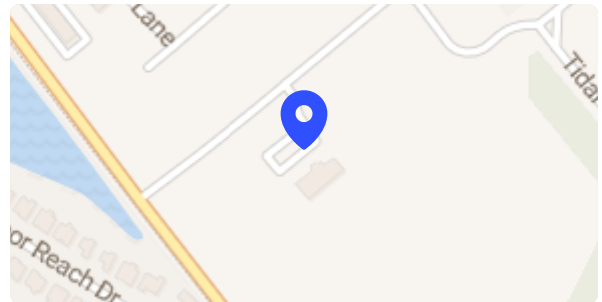
Funeral Service

Thursday, August 12, 2021

11:00 AM ET

Saint Andrew The Apostle Orthodox Church

33384 Mackenzie Way, Lewes DE 19958



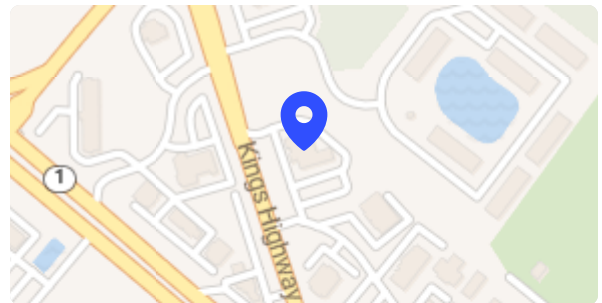
Interment Flowers

Monday, August 16, 2021

3:00 PM ET

Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



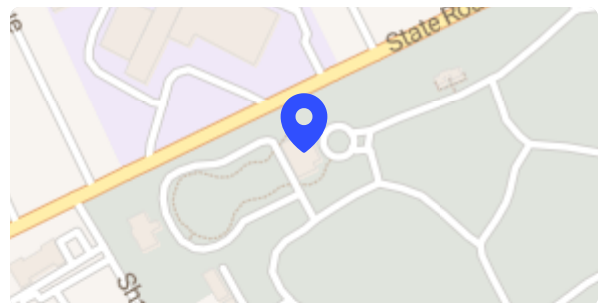
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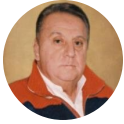
Tuesday, August 17, 2021

11:00 AM ET

Arlington Cemetery

2900 State Rd, Drexel Hill PA 19026





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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Toroian family.

August 11 at 5:37 AM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Toroian family.

August 10 at 5:05 PM



Cynthia Demos posted:

I'll always remember his sweet smile and laugh. He was a great designer and a wonderful uncle who loved, loved his daughter and wife. My heart is with you! Cynthia Demos

August 10 at 4:46 PM



Anonymous sent a Rose Remembrance to the Toroian family.

August 10 at 4:35 PM



Elizabeth Roy posted:

Dearest Marge and Cassandra. What a sincere joy it was for me to know Leon. He and I had some great times on our drives and secret "pretzel missions"! I will always remember the beautiful stories he would tell me of his life as a designer. One of my sweetest memories is of him placing Peanut Chews in my purse; he knew I loved them! May your memories bring you solace and blessings. Liz Roy

August 10 at 9:04 AM



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Sharyn Yelland posted:

To Cassandra Marguerite & family, My thoughts and love are with you both at this sad time. Enjoy your wonderful family memories of love & fun together. Wishing you both peace and acceptance. Love from Sharyn Yelland Adelaide, South Australia

August 10 at 8:55 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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