

Donald R. Ziegler

November 15, 1932 - December 3, 2018

Donald R. Ziegler age 86 of Lewes, DE passed away on Monday, December 3, 2018, at The Moorings at Lewes. He was born November 15, 1932 in Lancaster, PA, son of the late John Jacob Ziegler and Esther Mae (McKelly) Ziegler.

Mr. Ziegler graduated from Franklin & Marshall College in 1954 with a degree in Economic Accounting. A CPA, he spent his entire career with Price Waterhouse and was admitted into the partnership in 1967, was promoted to Managing Partner of the Mid-Atlantic Region in 1978, and was subsequently promoted to Vice Chairman of the South-East Region in 1985. He held a number of senior board positions with Price Waterhouse including serving as a member of the Policy Board and the Management Committee. Mr. Ziegler was recruited to serve as a member of the AICPA's Auditing Standards Executive Committee from 1973 to 1976 where he served as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Fraud. He co-authored the book Managing and Accounting for Inventories and was a contributing author to various books in his field.

Don was generous with his time, talent and resources. He was a Trustee of his beloved alma mater for over 25 years and served on various committees during his tenure. He served on many other committees and boards including the Pennsylvania Ballet, the Southern Delaware Surgery Center, the Beebe Medical Center Board, the Beebe Medical Foundation, and the audit committee for the Town of Dewey Beach. He also generously supported a number of other charities.

In 1991 Don was awarded the Distinguished Service Alumni Medal from Franklin & Marshall and received the Outstanding Soldier Award for his time with the US Army in 1955. He was recently presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis Who's Who.

Don was well travelled and loved taking his extended family on exotic vacations. A member of the Rehoboth Beach Country Club, he was an avid golfer with 6 career holes-in-one and an IVB Golf Classic Pro Am championship. He played football in high school

and college, and was an Eagles season ticket holder for 47 years. He enjoyed watching wrestling, ballet and theater, playing Gin, Cribbage and Bridge, doing crossword puzzles and Sudokus, and reading detective, mystery and adventure novels. He loved spending time with his wife, Suzanne, and family, and was a proud and supportive father to his sons.

Don is survived by his wife of 64 years, Suzanne (Foster) Ziegler; three sons: Donald Rand Ziegler (Marci) of Lenexa, KS, Scott Foster Ziegler (Laurie) of Fairfield, PA, and Kurt John Ziegler (Linda) of Afton, VA; six grandchildren: Justin, Karissa, Andrew, Daniel, Derek, and Sarah; and two great grandchildren: Ethan and Jonathan.

A Celebration of the Life of Mr. Ziegler will be held on Sunday, December 16, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, where friends may call beginning at 10 AM.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Franklin & Marshall College, PO BOX 3003, Lancaster, PA 17604 - Attn: Gift Accounting.

Please sign the online guestbook located on this site.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3PM SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2018 TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.

## Comments



A true partner in every sense of the word. Tim Coffey

Tim Coffey - 16 hours ago



Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Donald R. Ziegler.



December 10 at 03:19 PM



I just wanted to share my appreciation for Don's many years of excellent service as a Trustee of Franklin & Marshall College. Don was always extremely well prepared and supportive. What amazed me was that he was always waiting at the door when I opened up the meeting rooms in the morning. I knew that he had driven up from Dewey Beach each time and I had only traveled a mile. Thank you again Don for your well-informed, wise counsel to your alma mater. It will be missed.

Jon Enos, Franklin & Marshall College

Jon Enos - December 10 at 03:14 PM



I am so honored and blessed to have met such an amazing soul. Rest In Peace Don. I am sure your great granddaughter will make you proud



Jamie - December 08 at 11:20 PM



To Suzie and the Ziegler family

I first met Don in 1972 when I graduated from college and started at Price Waterhouse. In late July 1972, Don came in to the staff accountant's room (the bullpen – no partner ever did that so we were terrified). He asked the two best golfers in the room if they would like to play golf sometime. How he knew I was one of the two I don't know but that was Don, he always had the facts. Over the next 11 years we played golf together, many times at Whitemarsh and at times for more money than I could afford at that time. While we had developed a personal relationship, I never worked for Don during that time. In late 1983, Shaun O'Malley asked me to come to his office. He was the office managing partner at the time. I had no idea why he wanted to see me. I entered his office and he pushed a button and the door closed behind me. Now, I really had no idea what was about to happen. I approached his desk and saw Don sitting in the right chair. I sat down in the left chair trying not to show how nervous I was. These two men were among the highest ranking partners in our firm at that time. Shaun explained that a very long-standing client of the office was very dissatisfied with our service and that he had decided to replace the partner/manager team. He had chosen Don to be the new partner and Don had chosen me to be the manager. The decision Don made changed my life and the life of my family forever. Over the next two years, we worked very closely together in a difficult situation. He was tough, but he taught me so much about hard work, relationships and striving for excellence. We were successful in turning the client relationship to a positive and two years later I was admitted to the partnership with Don being my number one supporter. I could never repay him for this but was forever thankful but he had the faith in me to choose me to work with him.

Zig, I am better for your being in my life...

To the family, may the many memories that you have of your husband, your father, your grandfather and your great grandfather give you solace in these difficult times.

God bless.

Joe Marucci

Joseph Marucci - December 08 at 09:57 PM



You were a great friend to my Omo and a huge supporter of my accomplishments over the years. You will be very missed Mr. Ziegler. Cheers to your life and rest easy. I will be praying for your family and friends left behind.

Alec







66 Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Donald R. Ziegler.



December 08 at 10:59 AM





66 I love you, Pop Pop. Thank you for all of the great times and great memories. I will cherish them always.

Andy - December 08 at 09:46 AM