



Arno E. Richter

February 15, 2013

Arno Enrico Richter of Lancaster, PA, died on Friday, February 15, 2013 at Hospice and Community Care following a lengthy illness. He was 88.

He was born in Rho, Italy, and raised in Leverkusen, Germany, the son of Dr. Ludwig Richter, a research chemist, and Martha Kahn Richter.

He was married for 51 years to the late Eleanor Brubaker Richter who died in 2003 and, for the past five years, to Linda Sharp Richter.

He moved with his family to the United States in 1938 and settled in New York. He entered Lafayette College in 1943 but soon left to enter the Army Specialized Training Program 84th Division. He was later assigned to the U.S. Counter Intelligence Corps whose job it was to apprehend German war criminals and bring them to justice. He served as the youngest agent in the Corps.

In his most exceptional exploit, he was assigned to test Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's security in occupied Germany in 1946. He succeeded in getting into Eisenhower's outer office undetected. The Army immediately increased the general's security.

He returned to the United States and graduated from Lafayette in 1950 with a

degree in mechanical engineering.

He served as vice president and general manager at Lancaster Pump and Manufacturing Co. He later worked for Genova in Flint, Mich., and D.A. Fehr in Friedensburg, PA. Lastly, he founded his own company, AM Selling Systems, in Lancaster.

A former board member of the Lancaster Tennis and Yacht Club, he was instrumental in the merger of the Tennis Club with the Lancaster Riding Club.

An avid reader, he particularly was interested in World War II.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Scott Ludwig Richter, husband of Sandi Harris Richter, of Ligonier, and Bruce Karl Richter, of Lancaster; and one granddaughter, Jane Elizabeth Richter, of Lancaster.

Besides his parents and first wife, he was predeceased by two brothers, Bruno Karl Richter and Bodo Ludwig Otto Richter.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, February 23, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. at The Groffs Family Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., 528 W. Orange St. (corner of Orange and Pine Streets) with Linda Berger, Celebrant. The family will greet friends from 9 a.m. until the time of the service. Private family interment will take place at Bird-in-Hand United Methodist Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial gifts be made either to Hospice & Community Care, P.O. Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125, or to Dr. Julie Brahmer's lung cancer research at Johns Hopkins, payable to Johns Hopkins University. Send to Kimmel Cancer Center Development Office, One Charles Center, 100 North Charles Street, Suite 234, Baltimore, MD 21201,

designated in memory of Arno Richter.

Tribute Wall

AL

“ the bigger question is even though guy had to pay 230 mil how much did he make I would be willing to say it was much more but i could be wrong Not saying i advise spamming but sad part is that most spammers know they may get caught and make sure they earn more than what the settlement could be

Alex - December 21, 2015 at 11:43 PM

PH

“ Arno always had a Smile and always a good Tennis story or an Antique car story to tell when we'd see him. He'd always keep us up to date on Scott's happenings. The Lancaster tennis community, family & friends will miss his Positive Presence.
We are honored to have known him for over 40 years. Paul & Kathy Harclerode

Paul & Kathy Harclerode - February 27, 2013 at 07:40 AM

CM

“ Dear Linda, Scott & Sandy & Jane and Bruce
I am sorry to hear that Arno passed. He was someone special and I always enjoyed his company. I'm sure he will be missed!

Cindy Marshall - February 22, 2013 at 12:09 PM

CW

“ Arno was one of my top sales reps when I was Sales Manager for Orangeburg Industries, and I considered him a friend

I always enjoyed his visits to our factory in Greeneville, TN, where we always had lunch at a little local restaurant serving homecooked meals

He was a real gentleman, and I was very sorry to learn of Arno's passing

*Cork Wherrett
Asheville, NC*

Corwin J. "Cork" Wherrett - February 21, 2013 at 11:27 AM

EC

“ I had the pleasure of getting to know Arno Richter over the past ten years. He was warm and welcoming from the start, and always ready with a story, joke or poem. I was always impressed by his vast knowledge, especially when it came to history and automobiles. His curiosity and zest for life remained till the end. He will be missed but not forgotten.

Ed Curley - February 18, 2013 at 10:20 AM

RA

“ Dear Linda, Scott, Bruce, and Jane,
Am thinking of you at this sad time. I knew Arno for over fifty years
and always enjoyed his jokes and questions.
He always seemed sincere when we met and interested in what I
was doing and how business was at the store. When my Dad and I
had breakfast at Louie's for several years we would see Arno and
he always came over to say hello to me and my Dad and also offer
a joke or would talk tennis. In later years he was a customer in my
store and we had a number of transactions. It was always nice to
talk to Arno and to see him in the store. He told me about his
cancer, he knew he had limited time left, he kept going and tried his
best.
He was a good guy and I am glad I had the pleasure to know him
for well over 50 years! Sincerely, Rick

Richard Atwater - February 17, 2013 at 04:47 PM

JA

“ Arno was a special man. I only spent a few hours each year over
many years in his presence, but those brief encounters still revealed
his exceptional intelligence, honesty, and wisdom.

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James - February 17, 2013 at 03:46 PM

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James - February 17, 2013 at 03:06 PM

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Ed Curley - February 17, 2013 at 02:36 PM