



STUART LEWIS WIEN

September 11, 1923 - May 29, 2017

Stuart Lewis Wien (93) of Leawood, KS, passed away on May 29, 2017. He was born in Milwaukee, WI, on September 11, 1923, to Julius and Mildred Wien. In 1926, the family moved to Los Angeles, CA. After graduating from Dorsey High School, he entered the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps at UCLA.

He was sworn into service as a V-1 cadet in 1942, received his commission as an ensign, and reported for amphibious training at Solomons, MD. During WWII, he was an executive officer aboard L.C.I. 604 and was in action in the Admiralty Islands, Caroline Islands, and the Philippines, attaining the rank of lieutenant. Love of country was a core value and during his life he displayed his patriotism in many ways.

In 1947, Stuart received his degree in business administration from UCLA. In January 1949, he was introduced to Charlotte Milgram, a Kansas Citian who was attending UCLA summer school. Stuart and Charlotte were married in June 1949 and the following year moved to Kansas City, where they raised four sons and he began his career in the food business. He rose through the ranks to become chairman of Milgram Food Stores and president of its Meyer Dairy subsidiary.

He was president of the Dairy Council of Greater Kansas City, vice chairman of the American Red Cross of Greater Kansas City, and a board member of the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, Overland Park Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement of Mid-America, The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah, Menorah Medical Center, Jewish Family & Children's Services, and The Jewish Federation. He was also a Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary Club 13, a Rockhurst Regent, and an Honorary Fellow of the Truman Library.

After Charlotte passed away in 1981 he found a new life with Sheila Davis, whom he married in 1982. The two traveled at home and abroad and returned whenever possible to the Los Angeles area to visit children, grandchildren, and friends.

He was an avid sports fan. He enjoyed Sunday golf outings with his regular foursome at Oakwood Country Club, playing bridge and, in later years, joining his Friday lunch group. He and Sheila also adopted a Portuguese Podengo named Riley, who was a source of joy and entertainment.

Stuart was an only child and a devoted husband, father, and son. He had a quick wit and a generous spirit, characteristically putting the needs of others above his own.

After the Armistice was signed in September 1945, he and his crew began their return journey to the United States. Years later, he would recall sailing under the Golden Gate Bridge into San Francisco harbor: "We pulled into dock on a beautiful sunny day. We were home." He will remain at home in our hearts, much loved, deeply missed, and fondly remembered.

Stuart leaves behind his wife Sheila, children Steve (Diane); John; Bill (Gail); Tom (Marcy); and stepsons Andy (Stephanie); Steve (Peggy); Larry (Nicole); and Geoff (Silvia); as well as 14 grandchildren.

Services will be at The New Reform Temple, 7100 Main, Kansas City, Missouri on June 1, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. Burial will be at Rose Hill Cemetery.

The family is extremely grateful for the loving compassion of caregivers Jason Hayes (Stuart's "pal" and "friend") and Harriet Sore.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in his name be made to The New Reform Temple, Wayside Waifs, St. Luke's Hospice or a charity of choice.

Cemetery

Events

**Rose Hill
Cemetery**
6900 Troost
Avenue
Kansas City, MO,

JUN 1 **Shiva** **07:30PM**

at Sheila Wien home - PLEASE DON'T ARRIVE BEFORE
7:30pm
KS, US

Comments



“ Thinking of my cousins Tom, Bill, Jake and Steve today. My sincere condolences to Sheila and the whole family. Stuart lived his life to the fullest, and enjoyed many happy times with my late parents Dorothy & Elliott on frequent visits to Los Angeles. One of my fondest memories was having breakfast with Stuart in Kansas City after Sheila's 50th birthday celebration. He gave me sound career advice, which served me well. As his mother, and my great-aunt Mildred used to say "Stuart is just a great guy!". Rest in peace.
Lovingly,
Jill Wien Badger

Jill Wien Badger - June 01, 2017 at 10:15 AM



“ Sheila, my deepest sympathies to you and your family. He was just a terrific guy.

Bob Shapiro

Robert Shapiro - May 31, 2017 at 08:08 AM



“ Dear Steve, John, Bill, Tom, and the entire family.... sending my most sincere condolences on the passing of your father. May his memory be a blessing to all.

Joel Levine

Joel Levine - May 30, 2017 at 04:15 PM



“ Dear Sheila and family,
Lenny and I are thinking of you during this sad time.

Lisa and Lenny Cohen

lisa cohen - May 30, 2017 at 08:45 AM



“ Shelia, I am so very sorry to hear of Stuart's passing . May you surround yourself with the memory of love. I will be thinking of you but will unfortunately be out of town during this time.
Marlene Fishman

Marlene Fishman - May 30, 2017 at 07:45 AM



“ Shelia and family: We were saddened to learn of Stuart's passing. We know what a special man he was to all of you--we loved to see you out on the dance floor! We hope the memories you hold of him will serve to comfort you at this most difficult time.
Ruth & Larry Bigus



Ruth Bigus - May 30, 2017 at 12:22 AM



“ John, remembering you and thinking of you. Sending condolences.

karin lichterman - May 29, 2017 at 11:29 PM



“ Enjoyed many afternoons of bridge with Stuart in the past few years. My sincere thoughts and sympathy are with Sheila and family.
Paul Wacknov

Paul Wacknov - May 29, 2017 at 12:26 PM



“ So very sorry for Stuart's passing. What a lovely gentleman he was. Always pleasant whenever we'd see one another. He will be missed for the great kindness he showed to all.

Rabbi Levin - May 29, 2017 at 12:22 PM



“ Staurt was the nicest, kindest man. He will be missed by so many. I'm so sorry for your loss. Sending my heartfelt sympathy to all of you. Thinking of you during this sad time- Judi Tauber

judi Tauber - May 29, 2017 at 12:21 PM



“ Dear Family,
What a great loss to all of us that had the experience of warmth and smile being in Stuart's company. RIP
Davida Singer Pessen and Chuck Reese

davida pessen - May 29, 2017 at 12:12 PM



“ Dear Shelia and family, I Amy so very sorry to hear about Stuart. My condolences to your your family. Hugs, Susan

Susan Kivett - May 29, 2017 at 12:04 PM