



George Dienes

March 26, 1931 - October 18, 2011

George L. Dienes, 80, died Tuesday on October 18th, 2011 at his home in Conway, SC, following a two-year battle with lung cancer.

He was born March 26, 1931, in Louisville, Kentucky, to the late George John and Virginia Wessel Dienes. He graduated from Saint Xavier High School in 1948, and received a Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering and Master's Degree in Engineering (with high honors) from the J. B. Speed School of Engineering at the University of Louisville in 1953. He served three years as the gunnery officer for the U.S.S. Massey (DD-778) and resigned honorably in 1956 with the rank of Lieutenant (JG). Following his Navy service, he received a Master's of Business Administration in 1958 from the Harvard Business School, where he specialized in marketing and finance.

From 1958--1972 he served in sales, marketing, and management positions at a variety of engineering and technology companies in the Boston and New York areas, including DuPont, Perma Research and Development, Abcor, North American Philips, and General Signal. From 1972--1985 he was the Vice President of Sales and Marketing at O-Z/Gedney Company, where he was awarded the Manufacturer of the Year Award by the National Electrical Manufacturers Representatives Association (NEMRA) in 1980 and later founded the NEMRA Manufacturers' Group in 1983. He was also an active member of the Board of Directors of the Big Brothers Association of Boston. In

1985 he moved to Chicago, Illinois as the Vice President of Corporate Development for Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. From 1985--2005 he acquired over 40 telephone and wireless carriers and saw subscriber growth from 200,000 in 1985 to 6,000,000 in 2005.

George is survived by his wife, June Dienes, his three sons Donald Neil Meyer, Jeffrey Stuart Meyer, and Klee Dienes, his two sisters Ruth and Mary, his Big Brothers Association "little brother" James Carroll, eight grandchildren, and other loving family and friends. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Ray, Art, and Ed.

A private memorial service was held on Friday, October 21st at his home in Conway, South Carolina.

Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is serving the family.

Previous Events

Service

OCT **21**. 3:00 PM (ET)

on the river deck at his home
Conway, SC 29526

Tribute Wall

DP

“ June,

To know George was to know someone special, I worked with George for several years before I retired from TDS and all of them were with happy memories.

My sincere condolences to you and family

Don Porter

Donald L Porter - November 30, 2011 at 03:56 PM

MH

“ *Dear June, Arda Hovnanian advised me of George's passing. As you know, I worked closely with George at TDS for many years. Please accept my sincere condolences. Sincerely, Michael G. Hron*

Michael G. Hron - November 28, 2011 at 10:29 PM

CF

“ *Aunt June,*

Although Uncle Lee lived out of state. he was a very special uncle to me. To him I was always Annie. My sincere condolences to you and my cousins.

Carol Eisenback Frerman

Carol Eisenback Frerman - October 25, 2011 at 06:35 PM

GR

“ *june:*

We never met george but felt we knew him from your many comments and praises of him. We are saddened by your loss. What an outstanding person he was!

Our prayers are with you and the boys. When you can , give us a ring or an e mail msg.

gerald and margaret roberts

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gerald and margaret roberts - October 23, 2011 at 09:47 AM



“ *Donna Simms lit a candle in memory of George Dienes*



Donna Simms - October 22, 2011 at 11:09 PM