



George Jedlicka

February 17, 2011

George Jedlicka, 77, formerly of Cape Girardeau died Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011, at Beacon Hill Retirement Community in Lombard, Ill. He was born in Chicago. He and Aline Olishifski were married in 1957. She preceded him in death in 1992. George grew up in Chicago and graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in agricultural engineering. He started his career and family in Shelbyville, Ill., designing farm equipment for Oliver Corp. In 1978 George moved to Cape Girardeau as vice president of engineering for Schuld Manufacturing. While in Cape Girardeau he started his own business, Engineered Tanks Industries (ETI) designing and manufacturing bulk storage tanks. Before retiring and moving back to the Chicago area, George was a contractor with Fru-Con working as a process safety engineer for Procter & Gamble five years. He was an active member of the community as a volunteer for the American Red Cross, a board member of the Community Mental Health Board 23 years, and a member of the Mill Tax Board. George and Aline especially loved traveling together, bridge groups, and gardening. His interests included sailing and biking with his kids. He is survived by his children: Ben (Terry) Jedlicka of Riley, Kan., Julie (Steve) Matthews of St. Louis, Tim (Marla) Jedlicka of Glen Ellyn, Ill.; a brother, Edward (Cookie) Jedlicka of Lone Rock, Wis.; four grandchildren, Sabrina, Ivan, Robyn and Wesley Jedlicka; and a great-grandchild, Avery Jedlicka. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to service time Sunday, February 20, 2011 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau. The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Sunday,

February 20, 2011 at the funeral home. Burial will be in Cape County Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association (alz.org).

Tribute Wall

FS

“ To Tim and family, I'm very sorry to hear of the loss of your father. "He who has gone, so we but cherish his memory, abides with us, more potent, nay, more present than the living man." ~Antoine de Saint-Exupery Frank Slicer

Frank Slicer - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ My family rented the house on Brodway for many years. Mr. & Mrs Jedlicka were like family to us. He was such a kind man and I will miss him.

Nikki Lynne Stivers - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ I have been very sad hearing the news about George, who in my mind was always a close and inspiring uncle of mine. I spent some great trips in Cape Girardeau with my grandparents (Eli & Joanne Bogart) and have terrific memories of watching movies, playing with a sword that used to hang on the wall, going to see local sites like a tree covered with gumballs, eating hot dogs, and generally just enjoying watching Uncle George with my grandfather. Times were even more fun when they visited Shelbyville. I remember Aline working with my grandmother to stencil designs for a kitchen redesign. And of course I remember what seemed as hundreds of hours scraping and priming paint at George's house, which was a block away from a store I visited to stock up on candy to keep me going through the long Saturdays. I liked the work, and was proud to be working for George. George also made me feel excited about learning, it was at his instruction that I first learned anything about DOS, and I remember him showing me new laptops and their functionality. He basically was one of my favorite people and one of my treasured photographs is of him and my sister together. I wish I had one of him and me. I felt awful when several years ago my grandfather and Aline died fairly close to each other. I feel sad now, but am so happy that he was such good friends with my family. I've made a contribution to the Alzheimer's Foundation in George's name and I believe that his legacy will mean a better future for others. My condolences to Tim and the rest of the family.

Jacob Plummer - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I'm writing for Joanne Bogart, Vern and myself. We couldn't get to the funeral due to my condition. I was hit by a firetruck (I was a pedestrian in the incident and the driver was NOT going to a call!) 2 1/2 years ago and my condition has gotten better in some ways and not in others. I am still looking at a lot more therapy and perhaps surgery. Right now, I depend a lot on Mom. Otherwise, we would have loved so much to have gotten together to have seen all of you. WE had so much fun together with George the years that he lived with Mom. He was such a booster for Jacob and Rebecca. For George there was never a word such as "never". Jacob and Rebecca always knew that, whatever else, they knew that they had a big amount of family and friends support and chief among that was their "Uncle George". I'm raising a glass of wine in my mind to you, George, because I believe that your power of love can not be extinguished.

Lexi Plummer - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ Ben, I'm not sure we ever met; Tim, I don't know if you remember me, but Julie/Jed I know you will even with my married last name and that it's been so many years since we first met at Camp Cherokee Ridge. My condolences on your dad's death. I've lost both my folks, neither to Alzheimer's, but I know it must have been a long, hard road for all of you. Hang in there...life goes on and that's how it's supposed to be. Warmest regards, Nancy (aka Crispin) Julie-feel free to email me or look me up on facebook if you do that...Nancy Nelson Martin. I am in STL periodically and would love to see you some time. PS I still think of your mom when I eat pepperoncini peppers...she and Julie are the ones who introduced me to those semi-hot, vinegar-y treats!

Nancy Nelson Martin - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Tim, Marla, Robyn, Wesley and the rest of the the Jedlicka family, sending our condolences for your loss. With Alzheimer's, we see loss of abilities of a person, but deep down we never, ever lose the love and essence of our loved ones. We hope you find comfort in the many fond memories over the years.

Peggy & Paul Willman - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ My deepest sympathy to the entire Jedlicka family....and to Tim...I hope you still have your "gas mask and trench coat" sense of humor which will get you through most anything...So sorry for your loss...

Pam Risenhoover Mattox - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Ben, Julie and Tim, We're so sorry for your loss of your dad AND your mom. Didn't get anything sent when your mom passed. Don't know if Tim remembers us, but believe Ben and Julie probably do. We'll be thinking of all of you. Your parents were really good to us as newly weds and later new parents. We lived upstairs in the apartment from 1965 to November of 1969. You even kept our newborn lamb in your garage when our Jim was born and we didn't want to keep the animal in the apt. Can you imagine that your parents allowed that!? They were so good to us. Love Karen

Dave & Karen Schwerman - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ To the George Jedlicka Family, Along with all of you, we are sad to see George pass away. John was closest to George than any of his other cousins, having lived during high school years and into the nineteen-fifties a block away on South Avers Avenue in Chicago. Then going separate ways up to the late nineteen eighties, John visited George and Aline at the Cape. Later, we were able to spend more time with George, meeting in Shelbyville when he was there working on the house, we would drive over from Paris, IL for a visit. We still remember having a great cat fish dinner with George at Lake Shelbyville. Still later, we met with George and Tim and his family in Chicago. A highlight of that trip was our pilgrimage with Tim to the Bohemian National Cemetery to visit the resting places of our grand parents Jan and Marie Jedlicka and other relatives. Coincidentally, in January of this year, we were able to visit with cousin Ed in Rochester, MN. Cynthia and I had lunch with Ed, had a long overdue two hour conversation before Ed headed back to Lone Rock and us back to St. Paul. It must have been 50 years since John last saw him. If we were in Paris, IL we would drive over to the Cape for the service, but we're currently in Minnesota tending to family responsibilities. George was a great friend, always positive, fun to be with and is missed. John & Cynthia Jedd

John & Cynthia Jedd - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ I used to work with George back in the "old" Fru-Con days. So sorry to see of his passing. You have my sympathy.

Marilyn DeLine - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM