



James E. Thompson

January 3, 1933 - April 30, 2007

Anderson - James E. Thompson, 74, Anderson, died April 30, 2007 at St. Johns Health System, Anderson Indiana after a brief illness. He was born January 3, 1933 in Huntington, Indiana, and resided in Anderson. He moved to Anderson from Ft. Wayne in 1955, living here his entire adult life. Jim retired from Delco Remy Division of General Motors in 1992. He had a variety of assignments in product engineering, personnel and manufacturing, achieving the position of Works Manager responsible for all manufacturing, Manufacturing Engineers and plants worldwide. He was involved in reorganizing the division into units and served as Business Unit Director for Power Systems until his retirement. He was a graduate of Ft. Wayne South Side High School. He was also a graduate of Purdue University in 1955 with a Bachelors Degree from the School of Management. He earned an Honorary Masters Degree from M.I.T. He served his country proudly in the US Air Force and the Air National Guard. His unit was recalled during the Berlin Crisis in 1961. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church. He was a member of Lamda Chi Alpha fraternity, the Anderson Noon Rotary, the United Way, and Madison Way where he previously served as the chairman. He was a former board member for the Anderson Center for the Arts. He was also a member of the John Purdue Club, President's Council at Purdue University, P.M.O., and the Anderson Country Club where he served on the board. He was also a member of the Tourist Club. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Marilyn Ann Crouse Thompson; four children, Steven E. Thompson & wife Heather of

Carlsbad, California, Cynthia D. Ruby of Fishers, Rebecca A. Thompson of Anderson and Kimberly M. Keleher & husband Michael of Carmel; a brother, Duane Thompson & wife Margaret of Centerville, Ohio; a brother-in-law, James L. Crouse & wife Ruby of Columbus; eight grandchildren, Alex Thompson and Claire Thompson both of Carlsbad, California, Elizabeth Ruby, Kate Ruby and Amanda Ruby all of Fishers and Will Keleher, Ben Keleher and Adam Keleher all of Carmel; and five nieces and nephews, Michael Crouse, Cathleen Mathis and Sharon Pinch all of Colorado and David Thompson and Michael Thompson both of Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold E. & Marie Allen Thompson; his in-laws, Hazel Fahl & William H. Crouse; and a nephew, David Crouse. A celebration of his life will be Friday, May 4, 2007 at 3:00 PM, at First Presbyterian Church, 230 West 9th Street, Anderson, with Rev. Rick Kimmer and Rev. Richard True officiating. A private burial will be in East Maplewood Cemetery, Anderson. Visitation will be from 3-7:00 PM on Thursday, May 3, 2007 at Robert D. Loose Funeral Home, South Chapel, 200 West 53rd Street, Anderson. Honorary pall bearers will be Steve Thompson, Mike Keleher, Alex Thompson, David Thompson, Mike Thompson, Duane Thompson and Jim Crouse. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or First Presbyterian Church. www.LooseFuneralHomes.com

Tribute Wall

DD

“ Marilyn, We enjoyed our time in Anderson and getting to know you and Jim. He was a fine person and we know he will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family

Dave and Judi Darnell - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Marilyn, We were saddened to hear of Jim\'s passing. He was a great friend and neighbor. Please accept our sympathies. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your wonderful family. Sincerely, Mike and Jane

Mike and Jane Messmer - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Many fond memories of times at Delco Remy. Jim was truly a class act. Even when we needed dicipline in the business he always had a smile and a good word for us personally.

Earl/Brenda Wallace - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ Jim was always the nicest gengleman. I enjoyed working with him on the Chateau Le Beau Board of Directors, and enjoyed our many conversations when he was taking Lacy for a walk. We will miss him very much!

Frank & Elyse Sensabaugh - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ We offer our deepest sympathy to Marilyn and their children. We feel so fortunate we were able to spend time with Jim and Marilyn this past March at Ft Myers. Jim and I were fraternity brothers at Purdue and I have fond and special memories of our years together. We returned to Purdue for our 50th anniversary with our fellow fraternity brother Jim Blaising and our wives. It was a special time for all of us. We will miss Jim. He was a great guy.

Cliff and Joyce Embley - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Becky, Kelly and I were sorry to hear of your fathers passing so soon...May our prayers and thoughts get you through the days ahead... Brad, Kelly, and Kendall Douglas Neighbor

The Douglas Family - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

OJ

“ To Marilyn and the entire family we send our love and deep regrets in the loss of our leader J.E. Thompson. He was a larger than life figure to us who led, mentored, encouraged and made a path for us to enjoy great careers. We will miss him, and we are thankful for what he has meant to all of us. Odail Thorns, Jr, Former Plant Manager Plant 20 after Jim!!

Odail Thorns, Jr. - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM