



Jerome "Jerry" G. Lee

February 23, 1924 - May 29, 2018

Jerry was born in Chicago, IL. He spent his early years in various small towns in Wisconsin, where he attended the University of Wisconsin and earned a degree in Chemical Engineering. He served in the Army as a chemical engineer during World War 2.

In 1947 he married Margo and attended NYU Law School. After graduation he practiced Intellectual Property Law, becoming the senior partner of Morgan and Finnegan. Jerry was active in several Bar Associations, as a member as well as President. Jerry loved music. He played violin, clarinet and saxophone with many bands and orchestras, including the Sarasota Pops. Margo and Jerry have lived on Longboat Key and Sarasota since the 70's, first as snow birds and then as full-time residents. Jerry was chairman of the LBK Planning and Zoning Board for five years. Jerry is survived by his wife, Margo, his sons Jim and Ken and their spouses, his grandchildren, Maia and Mathew and their spouses, three great granddaughters, and his sisters, Shirley and Jeanine. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Jewish Family and Children's Service, 2688 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, FL 34237. Toale Brothers Funeral Homes & Crematory, Colonial Chapel is caring for arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ Jerry (actually Mr. Lee to me) was an imposing figure to me as a young attorney in his firm, Morgan & Finnegan in the early 1990s. He was always the leader: managing the firm, traveling to meet with the firm's clients, including P&G, and always busy. Over the years, as I matured in the profession, I have come to better appreciate the leader he was. Herding cats is not easy, and neither is managing many alpha males (as most of the partners were then). He did so with seeming ease and grace.

Raymond Van Dyke - June 14, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Jerry was a bright, lovely man. We have known him for the two-plus years we have lived here, and enjoyed his company. We met him at an Investment Club meeting we attended before we moved in. He was very gracious and welcomed us warmly. He took the time to come over to us after the meeting to introduce himself and explain the particulars about the operation of the club, and encourage us to join. We had the opportunity to have lunch or dinner with him here at various times and always found him to be intelligent, compassionate, and very good company. We shall miss him, and send our sincere condolences to his family

Jan and Ernie Ellison - June 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM