



Manfred Luttinger

October 15, 1932 - July 25, 2018

Manfred Luttinger, age 85, passed away on July 25, 2018. Preceded in death by his parents, David and Rosa Luttinger. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Rose Gefan Luttinger and son, David (Nancy Barton) Luttinger. Manfred was born in Mannheim, Germany and the family escaped to Switzerland during the war. Manfred and his mother came to the U. S. in 1948. He was a Polymer Research Chemist at Battelle for 60 years, retiring for the second time in December, 2017. He helped to shape Congregation Beth Tikvah in its beginning years and has remained active there for 54 years. He had a life-long passion for adult learning and started a Sunday evening study group which has lasted for 54 years. He was also a strong advocate for social justice and worked diligently for many years thru the B.R.E.A.D Organization and thru Beth Tikvah's membership in the group. Funeral services will be held Sunday at 10:00 a.m. at Congregation Beth Tikvah, 6121 Olentangy River Rd. Burial will follow at Green Lawn Cemetery. Shiva will be observed at the Luttinger home Sunday and Monday at 7:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations are preferred in his memory to the B.R.E.A.D Organization www.breadcolumbus.com or to Congregation Beth Tikvah.

Cemetery

Green Lawn Cemetery

1000 Greenlawn Ave

Columbus, OH,

Comments



“ Manfred was a favorite of the Wolman Papas family from Indianapolis/Winchester, MA, and the late Pinky Wolman of New York City. We especially appreciated his love of the arts and classical music; a perfect reflection of his classic gentlemanly manner. Though our proximity allowed infrequent visits, he was an esteemed gentleman of the world who we remember with great fondness.

Roberta Wolman Winchester, MA

Roberta S Wolman - September 11, 2018 at 03:01 PM



“ I am very sorry to hear about Manny. We loved him so much at Battelle. I sat next to Manny when I first joined Battelle in 2003. Of course, he was already retired, but I could always hear him shuffling through papers and typing on his key board (hunting and pecking). He would often stop by and tell me a joke. He loved jokes and posted them in the break room. I worked on a project for him — Viper, we called it; it was for a consumer product. He was such a good mentor to me.

Amy Heintz

Amy Heintz - August 14, 2018 at 05:13 PM



“ Manny's 60 years at Battelle speaks to his dedication and love he had for research. He helped many a new researcher find their way at Battelle, and contributed so much to development of innovative solutions to very complicated problems. You could count on Manny. After 35 years of working with Manny there are several recurring observations that come to mind. His colleagues would often comment about his incredible ability to locate a key technical article from the stacks of paper that inevitably filled his office space. Ask Manny about a technical issue and he would get up, walk to the appropriate stack, and pull out exactly what was needed. Another observation frequently mentioned was that Manny seemed to age in appearance at a far slower rate than the rest of us. Beyond his work at Battelle, my wife and I had some occasion to socialize with Manny and Rose, and always enjoyed Manny's stories, sense of humor and hearty laugh. What a fine man.

Kathy and Joe Jacomet

Joe Jacomet - July 29, 2018 at 06:36 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Manny's passing. I have so many good memories of him from my growing years. He was always encouraging and kind to me, and I'm grateful for the example he set. Manny was a man of integrity and good intentions, and will be missed.

Isaac Klapper - July 29, 2018 at 06:21 PM



“ Manny was a noble presence in the Beth Tikvah congregation -- a man of integrity, principle, and disarming warmth. Behind that deeply resonant and occasionally intimidating voice (which I will miss) was a wealth of gentle kindness. I loved speaking with him about the arts as well as about the social justice which he so tirelessly championed. I was delighted to run into him just two years ago at a meeting about his beloved B.R.E.A.D. organization, and I was touched by the beaming smile and hearty handshake that I received. It had been many years since we'd seen one another, but our conversation was as easy and animated as it had always been. I wish him safe passage and the eternal rewards that he richly deserves. Rose, my heartfelt condolences to you, the woman he so clearly adored. Remember how very many people care about you, as well. I wish you, your family, and Manny's amazing life-long friend (forgive me for not knowing the name of that wonderful gentleman who offered the breathtakingly beautiful eulogy) peace and healing in their proper time.
Jack Schwarz

Jack Schwarz - July 29, 2018 at 01:28 PM



“ Manny was an inspired scientist. I had the honor to learn from him not too long ago before he retired the second time. Our personalities meshed well together, feeding off the other's inquisitive nature, until our two "A" personalities collided; however, each learned something from the other. Manny and I shared our passion for social justice; we talked about our spirituality and our finite lifespan, trying to make this world a better place before we left this earth. But I think Manny loved my formulations of cupcakes best; there wasn't a time he did not pass on something sweet. Thank you, Manny for all that you taught me. I'll buy a bag of sour dough pretzels in your memory. You will be missed.

Chrissie - July 27, 2018 at 03:43 PM



“ On literally scores of occasions, I would attend a Jewish or general community event - and ever find Manny there as well. Whether it had to do with a social cause, a lecture that focused on something other than in the public eye, a show, an Israel celebration, our calendars - with not prior arrangement, seemed to sync. Most often Rose would be there as well. My sympathies to Rose, I am truly saddened by her personal loss. For us community members, Manny was the embodiment of "g'milut hasadim," and will remain an exemplar of Jewish religious principles in action and over a lifetime.

Howard Apothaker - July 26, 2018 at 04:31 PM



“ There is no better example of someone whos memory is for a blessing

Janet Golder - July 27, 2018 at 12:19 PM



“ When we arrived in Columbus, one of the first things we did was look for a synagogue. We found Beth Tikvah, then in the small house on High Street. Manny was there, helping to arrange for a "cleaning party" at the house. He has been a friend ever since then--always urging all of us to do mitzvot . We will miss him.
Sondra and Howard

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