



C. David Haacke

October 30, 2007

C. David Haacke of Chestertown, Maryland died on October 30, 2007. He was 82.

Born in Baltimore, Maryland on March 1, 1925, he was the son of the late, William John Haacke and Gertrude Clara Bruning Haacke. He was a 1950 graduate of The Johns Hopkins University with a degree in Chemical Engineering. In addition, he did post graduate studies at Hopkins McCoy College in business, finance, and accounting.

On November 25, 1950 he married D. Kathleen Estapp.

He worked with Bruning Brothers Paint Company in Baltimore, MD and in 1952 took a position with Lehigh Chemical Products in Chestertown, MD. In 1960 he acquired the assets of the company and as Lehigh Chemical Co. Inc. he sold the company to Tenneco Chemicals in May of 1966. He worked with Tenneco in Chestertown, Houston, and New York. In 1971, he returned to Chestertown to establish and manage Business Management Services Inc. In 1983, he sold the business to McGraw-Pridgen, PA. and subsequently retired in 1988.

Throughout the years, Mr. Haacke was involved with the Maryland Blue Cross as a Trustee (1963-1967), President of Hospital Council of Maryland (1967), Trustee of Wye Insitute (1964-1967). He served as Mayor of Chestertown (1962-1967), Chairman of United Fund of Kent County (1971), Kent County

Commissioner (1974-1978), Chairman of Kent County Republican Central Committee (1982-1985), Trustee of St. Timothy's School (1973-1983), Founder and Trustee of Magnolia Hall Nursing Home Inc. (1965-1995), Director of Chestertown Bank of Maryland (1974-2007). He served on the boards of many local businesses. As an active member of Christ United Methodist Church, he served as Sunday school teacher, Trustee, Chairman of Finance, Lay Leader, and Conference Delegate as well as the National Board of Pensions.

Mr. Haacke was raised in Tuscan Masonic Lodge #202 on December 14, 1953. He was affiliated with Chester Lodge #115 and served as Worshipful Master in 1973. He served on the Board of Trustees of Maryland Masonic Homes (1975-1984), as Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master (1983-1984) and as Most Worshipful Grand Master (1985-1986). He created the following significant programs during his term as MWGM: Solomon II promoting membership; Dr. John Coats Lodge #1787 established as base for an endowment fund for Masonry in Maryland; Masonic Charities of Maryland, Inc.; an original director and member of the Executive Committee of National Masonic Foundation for the prevention of Drug and Alcohol Abuse among Children; and Chairman of 1986 Conference of Grand Masters of North America. He served as Director of Masonic Charities of Maryland from 1986 until present and served as Charter Master of Magnolia Lodge #53 of Grand Lodge of FAAM of DC, which was consecrated on April 27, 1997.

In association with Masonry, Mr. Haacke was a member of the following organizations:

Cecil Royal Arch Chapter #34; Chestertown
Adoniram Council Royal & Select Masters #21; Denton
Chesapeake Commandery #10; Denton
Maryland Old Line Council, Allied Masonic Degrees
Maryland York Rite College #58

Maryland Council #9 Knight Masons
Maryland College Soc. Ros. In Civ. Foed.
Grand College of Rites, Purple Cross
Scottish Rite, Valley of Baltimore, Orient of Maryland; KCCH, including Honor
Men's Club, Conowingo Club
Red Cross of Constantine, St. Cyprian Conclave; Past Puissant Sovereign
Royal Order of Scotland
Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Baltimore Forest #45
AAONMS, Boumi Temple, Baltimore, including Knights of Mecca, Camel
Wheels, Clowns
AAONMS All Ghan Temple, Cumberland
Royal Order of Jesters, Baltimore Court #82
National Sojourners, Bethesda #445
Heroes of 1776, Bethesda Chapter
Maryland Masonic Research Society
Order of DeMolay; Legion of Honor, Degree of Chevalier
Order of Eastern Star, Chestertown Chapter #86 Worthy Patron (1963 and
1966)
Honorary member of many blue lodges in Maryland

In recognition of his service to Masonry, Mr. Haacke was awarded the
Pierpont Edwards Medal of Connecticut for Distinguished Masonic Service in
1986; Philip C. Tucker Medal of Vermont for Distinguished Masonic Service in
1987; and Grand Cross of Color of The International Order of Rainbow for
Girls in 1994. He was proclaimed Chairman Emeritus of Masonic Charities in
Maryland by Bro. Ronald G. Belanger M.W.G.M. on November 18, 2006 and
received the Thomas J. Shryock Medal for Meritorious Service from Bro. John
R. Biggs, Jr. M.W.G.M. on May 19, 2007. (The Shryock Medal is the highest
award given by the Grand Lodge of Maryland.)

Mr. Haacke will be best remembered for his devotion to Masonic Service, his local community dedicated service, and his love of family and friends.

He was predeceased by his wife on September 29, 2004.

He is survived by Kathi Morehead and her husband, David Morehead, of Brunswick, MD; Terri Cox and her husband, Joe Cox, II, of Wilton, CT and Debbi Haacke and her friend, Roy T. Rimmer, Jr., of Dallas, TX along with grandchildren, Michael Cox, Betsy Dietrich, and Ian Koplowitz.

There will be a memorial service at the Maryland Masonic Home, Bonnie Blink, in the chapel on Saturday, November 10, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. for the residents and staff of Bonnie Blink as well as family and friends. The Masonic Memorial Service will follow at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel and be conducted by the Grand Master and Grand Line. A memorial service will also be held in Chestertown, Maryland on Sunday, November 11, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church on High Street, Chestertown.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in memory of C. David Haacke to Masonic Charities of Maryland or Maryland Masonic Home, 304 International Circle, Cockeysville, MD 21030.

Tribute Wall



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