



Jacobus Jan Beckering

June 10, 1934 - September 23, 2016

Jacobus Jan Beckering died on September 23, 2016, in Chestertown, MD. He was 82.

Mr. Beckering was born in Utrecht, Netherlands, on June 10, 1934, the son of the late Herman W. Beckering and Dorothea Bruinwold Riedel Beckering. He attended Baarns Lyceum and graduated in 1953. He received his mechanical engineering degree from Higher Technical School in Haarlem, Netherlands. He started his career at General Motors in Paris, France, where he met his future wife, Helen Robinson who was also working in Paris. They were married on September 5, 1959, and returned to the U.S. in 1960 where he began working for Black and Decker in Maryland and later in Brockville, Ontario, Canada. In addition, Mr. Beckering worked with Sunbeam in Chicago, Robeson in New York, and Steelcase in Grand Rapids, MI, from where he retired in 1998 and moved to the Eastern Shore of Maryland. During his career he was responsible for many patents for creating such products for Black and Decker as the cordless tools and the Workmate. Mr. Beckering was a member of Rotary International, being active in St. Michael's and Chestertown, MD, Grand Rapids, MI and Brockville, Ontario. A lifelong sailor, he also was Commodore of the Brockville Yacht Club in Ontario, Canada.

In addition to his wife, Helen Beckering of Chestertown, MD, he is survived by his daughters, Laura F. Beckering Cooke (George) of Old Greenwich, CT,

Dorothea L. Beckering Crescenze (Paul) of Chestertown, MD; his sons, Jan Dereck H. Beckering of Germantown, MD, Thomas W.K. Beckering (Jeanette) of Little Britain, Ontario, Canada; one sister, Francina van Arkel Beckering of Lochem, Netherlands; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. The family will be receiving friends and family at their home in Chestertown on Saturday, October 1, from 12 – 3pm. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made to a charity of your choice in his name.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jacobus Jan Beckering*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Jacobus Jan Beckering*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Jacobus Jan Beckering*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *The notice of Jacks death was in the Brockville Recorder today and I just wanted you to know that I have been thinking of you. Each time I look at the blue spruce tree on the corner of Park and Pine the Beckering family comes to mind. Stewart and Chris join me in sending sympathy to you. Jean Macintosh*

Jean Macintosh - September 27, 2016 at 03:47 PM