



John Kuck

May 28, 2006

John H. Kuck, 89, of Chestertown, formerly of Silver Spring, Maryland, died on May 28, 2006 at Heron Point Retirement Community. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Phoebe Hargy Kuck.

Mr. Kuck was born in Hastings-on-the-Hudson, New York on June 16, 1916. He was the son of the late Lena Johnson Kuck and Julius Anson Kuck, a lawyer in Albion, New York. His childhood was spent in Kuckville, New York. The small hamlet on the shores of Lake Ontario was named after his great-great grandfather the Reverend George Kuck.

Mr. Kuck studied at Hamilton College, N.Y. and the City College of New York. He received a Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. He worked for 42 years at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory where he developed top secret weapons for America's armed forces. He helped design the Radio Proximity Fuze that helped stop the enemy advance at the Battle of the Bulge, saving lives and shortening WWII. He received the Army-Navy Certificate of Appreciation. After the war he worked on defense electronics problems in radar guidance systems and had 25 patents to his credit.

His own visual impairment prompted him to build a closed circuit reading aid and an audio filing system for the blind. In his later years he designed

economic computer models to try to improve the American economy.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Kuck is survived by a son; George Anson Kuck of Chestertown; a daughter, Sharon Natoli of Greenbelt, Maryland; and four grandchildren, Gabrielle Lee, Vanessa Lee, Stephanie Natoli, and Joseph Anson Natoli.

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