



Alan Dale Greer R.C.A. Executive

Alan Dale Greer, 82 years young, of Lancaster, PA died Monday, December 15, 2008 at Hospice of Lancaster County after a courageous battle with cancer.

He and his wife, Theresa B. (Szalak) Greer, observed their 57th wedding anniversary on January 28, 2008.

Born in Wheeling, W. V., he was the son of the late Arch Greer and Madelyn Gearhart Greer.

He graduated from the Hershey Industrial School in 1944 and attended Franklin and Marshall College. He was very active in supporting the Milton Hershey School Alumni Association and served on the MHSAA Board of Directors.

Greer was employed by RCA in 1948 as an apprentice machinist. He was a charter member of the International Machinists Union, Lodge #1984. During his employment at RCA, he held various positions, progressing from machinist through Tool and Die Maker and into a management position. He progressed through the management ranks to become manager of the Tube Manufacturing Parts Department in 1968.

During the 1970's he was manager of Color Picture Tube Components. In 1977 he accepted an assignment as On-Site Director in Poland for the RCA-Polkolor Project to construct a color picture tube manufacturing facility. The magnitude of this project required four years to complete and at that time it was the only vertically integrated manufacturing facility in the world that produced a complete picture tube and all of its components, including glass, under one roof.

On completion of this assignment, he returned to Lancaster where he resumed his previous duties as manager of components manufacturing.

During his years at RCA, he was involved in supporting the United Way, Junior Achievement, Urban League, Hamilton Playground Association and volunteered at the polls on election day.

Greer was of the Catholic Faith and belonged to Sacred Heart Church in Lancaster. He was a Veteran of WWII, serving as a sergeant with the U.S. Army's Airway Communication System in Tokyo, Japan, as an air traffic controller. He was a member of the Millersville VFW Post #7294 and the American Legion, Post #34 in Lancaster. He was a licensed aircraft pilot as well as an experienced off-shore fisherman.

He is survived by his wife, Theresa, of Lancaster; two daughters, Karen G., wife of Michael Flounlacker, of FL and Christine M., wife of Ronald Krawczyk of Collegeville, PA; a brother, Ralph Greer, of Colorado; and many nieces and nephews.

A Funeral Mass will be from Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 558 West Walnut Street, Lancaster, PA on Thursday, December 18, 2008. Friends may visit with the family at the church between 10 and 11 AM with Mass to follow at 11 AM. Interment will be private and at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Remembrances can be made in Mr. Greer's memory to Sacred Heart Catholic Church or to Hospice of Lancaster County, 4075 Old Harrisburg Pike, Mount Joy, PA 17552. Arrangements Entrusted to the Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home, 320 Blue Rock Road, Millersville, PA, 717-872-2266. For on-line condolences, directions or other information, you are welcome to visit our website at: www.scheidfuneralhome.com