OBITUARY



Bolitho, Lewis Raymond, 64, of Phoenix, Arizona passed away on February 12, 2013. In August of 2011 Lew was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. From that point forward he battled the cancer courageously, living the last year and a half as great as any man should. He traveled to many places with his wife, sons and daughter, and truly appreciated every last minute God gave him. His five grandchildren made him smile from ear to ear every time he saw them. Born to Robert and Dallas Bolitho in Dover, NJ on June 10, 1948, Lew lived his early years in Mount Arlington, NJ. His father's work took him to places like Indonesia in 1956 and 1957, traveling back to NJ by way of Europe and Asia, where he lived in Morris Plains for two years. He then moved to Hackettstown, NJ where his father owned a local Dairy Queen. Lewis was a member of Boy Scout Troop 150, where he was a

Senior Patrol Leader for 2 years and earned Eagle Scout in 1963. In 1963 he also attended Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, NM. Lew was later President of Explorer Post 164 and participated in Adventure Unlimited in Upper Canada. He graduated Hackettstown High School in 1966. Lew attended Valparaiso University (Valpo) in Indiana where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science in 1970. Lew then went to work for Prudential Property and Casualty Insurance Company for 30 years holding his last position as Director of Underwriting for the Western Region prior to Prudential's sale to Liberty Mutual. He earned CPCU in 1985. He spent his last six plus years with Scottsdale Insurance Company, where he last held the position of Property & Casualty Underwriting Manager. For the majority of his life, his main passion was giving back to the school he loved dearly, Valparaiso University. He made many trips to Valpo with his wife and family, later serving on the Valpo Alumni Board up until his passing on Feb. 12, 2013. Lew is survived by his wife of 37 years, Susan, four children, William, Brian, Jonathan, and Rebecca (Kaufman), son-in-law, Marc, two daughters-in-law, Andrea and Valerie, and five grandchildren, Caleb, Peyton, Rose (Kaufman), Nolan, and Paisley, brother, Robert, and sister, Janet (Hays). A memorial service will be held at La Casa de Cristo Lutheran Church in Scottsdale, Ariz. on Tuesday, Feb. 26 at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, gifts can be made to the Valpo Fund at Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, Indiana, or to the Ronald McDonald House (Cambridge House #405) in Phoenix, Arizona.

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