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A memorial Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Church in Washington on Jan. 12 at 11:30 a.m. Contributions may be made to the Carl and Connie Lemasters Endowment Fund c/o Rotary International, 1 Rotary Plaza, Evanston, Ill., 60201 or Misericodia, 6300 N. Ridge Ave., Chicago, Ill., 60660.

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He enjoyed volunteering in the woodshop at Misericordia and Family Association where Joan's son, William, was a resident. He was also a noted model ship builder and miniaturist.

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