## Thomas A. Spitz, Jr.

HACKETTSTOWN — Thomas A. Spitz, Jr., 72, died on Thursday, Oct. 27, 2005 in Kindred Hospital at St. Clare's, Dover, NJ, peacefully with his family by his side.

Born April 14, 1933 in Trenton, he was a son of the late Thomas A., Sr. and Lois Hartman Spitz.

His loving wife and best friend of 41 years, the former Patricia Carter, died earlier.

Thomas lived in Hackettstown since 1974, coming from Lake Parsippany, where he lived from 1960-1974. Previously, he lived in Trenton.

He was a well respected teacher and school administrator for 36 years at Mt. Pleasant High School, Livingston, retiring in 1995.

Thomas served in the Navy and was a veteran of the Korean War. He received his Bachelor's of Social Science from St. Joseph's College in 1959. He received a Master of Education from Rutgers State University in 1965.

He enjoyed gardening and construction model replicas of various items such as sailboats, lighthouses, and doll houses.

He was a member of St. Mary's Church of the Assumption, Hackettstown. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus, Parsippany.

He is survived by two sons, Paul T. of Hackettstown and Steve and his wife, Lucyna of Jackson; a daughter, Lois Mercurio of Oxford, N.Y.; and seven grandchildren, Tony, Shana, Cathryn Mercurio, Rachel, Garret, Bailey and Jordan Spitz. A sister, Jacquelyn S. Scott, died in 2004.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Mary's Church of the Assumption, Hackettstown. Interment was in Hackettstown Union Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by the Cochran Funeral Home, Hackettstown.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 669 Littleton Rd., Parsippany, NJ 07054-4834.

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