



Lucien A. Gehami

February 17, 1926 - September 2, 2012

Lucien A. Gehami, of Glastonbury, died Sunday, September 2, 2012, surrounded with the love and thoughts of his family. He was born in Cairo, Egypt, February 17, 1926 to the late Albert Gehami and Ida nee Tonti Gehami. He received his formal education, first from his father at home and then from the Jesuits of the Saint Family School located in Faggalah, Cairo. Later, he traveled to France and Italy and graduated with an electrical engineering degree from the Ecole Centrale de Paris.

Upon graduating, he returned to Egypt where he worked as an electrical engineer and an industrial engineer in Alexandria, Cairo and Nag Hamadi. In Alexandria, he met his beloved Elvire Gerteiny in 1954 and married in 1955 in a beautiful church of the Greek Catholic rite. In 1962, they left Egypt with their three small children, resided in Beirut and Tripoli, Lebanon for a year and then flew to the United States where they reside to this day. Lucien worked as an electrical engineer for Northeast Utilities and retired in 1991.

He leaves his beloved Elvire, a daughter Christiane Gehami, of West Hartford, and two sons; Alain and his wife Kristen of San Diego, and Jean-Pierre and his wife Jennifer of Midland, Texas; three brothers-in-law, Dr. Alfred Gerteiny, of Westport, Raymond Gerteiny and Gilbert Gerteiny, both of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and their families. He also leaves three grandsons, Albert, Lewis and Zachary; a sister, Mary Gehami Sica and her husband Rocco Sica of Rome,

Italy and numerous cousins, nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by a brother, Marcel Gehami, of Geneva, Switzerland.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday 12 noon at St. Paul Church, 2577 Main Street, Glastonbury, CT 06033. Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery in Glastonbury. There are no calling hours. Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. The Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "Add Condolences" at the bottom of this page.

Tribute Wall

SF

“ We were sorry to hear of Lucien's passing. We often saw him when my son Todd came for piano lessons. I remember what a kind man he was. Our sympathy to Mrs. Gehami and family.

Suzanne & Tom Fitzgerald - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ It was a distinct privilege for me to work with Lucien over the last six years of his career at NU. He was generous and patient in sharing all that he'd learned, a man to emulate and a hard one to replace. May he rest in peace.

Bob Carberry - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ I would like to express my deepest sympathies to the Gehami family. Having the opportunity to work with Lucien was a privilege and a pleasure. When I think of Lucien I think of brilliance, caring patience, kindness, compassion and last but not least, a keen humor. Lucien, go in peace.

George Garner - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ Je participe a la douleur de toute la famille. Que de bons souvenirs d'oncle Lucien avec son sourire plein d'humour. Nous sommes heureux qu'il ai connu le petit Emile même si ce n'est qu'à travers l'ordinateur.
On vous embrasse tous.

Claudio, Laure et Emile - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ I am very fortunate and proud to have been a daughter-in-law of Lucien Gehami. He was such a wonderful and respectable man. His goodness and intellegent ways continue on in his children and grandchildren. Lucien has entered ultimate peace with GOD and is now an angel among us. "Lucien you will be missed very much and until we meet again in eternal life with The Lord.....Ilove you, Krissy.

Kris Gehamidaughter-in-law - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Jean-Pierre and family, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Thinking of you and your family.

Joe Spada - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ To The Gehami Family: Sorry to hear of your loss. I remember him to be a kind and friendly man and I enjoyed seeing him walking in the neighborhood.

Lori Donovan - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Elvire, my condolences go out to you, your children and the rest of Lucien's family. I have known Lucien since 1966 when Northeast Utilities was formed. Many of us spent most of our careers in our engineering department and it was like a second family. Lucien would talk with pride about you and his children your music business, a son at W.P.I. and, of course, Christiane's restaurant. At work, Lucien was one of the most respected engineers who usually was given the more complex projects and studies. After retirement, he and I were core members of the Lunch Bunch, a group of engineering retirees who meet every month to discuss things going on in our lives and elsewhere in the world. Lucien was the expert in worldly affairs because he lived in so many countries. At his retirement, I spoke of him being the Cosmopolitan man who had lived such an interesting life in many different places. He will truly be missed and remembered as an outstanding engineer who was also a true gentleman with particular emphasis on gentle.*

Don Allan - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *So sorry for your loss. It was a pleasure to have known and worked with such a wonderful person as Lucien.*

Cathy Russell - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ *Playing chess with you was always a treat. You are the smartest person I know, and your words haven't gone to waste. Thank you grandpa for being in my life.*

Albert Gehami - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ When ever my family would come visit his house in Connecticut, me and my brother, Albert, would have nothing to do, and grandpa would ask us if we wanted to play cards with him. He was always funny and gave us a smile every time we saw him.

Lewis Gehami - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Dear Mrs. Gehami and Chris,
We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that Joel and I are thinking of you and praying for you at this difficult time.

Marie Lapointe Karnolt - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ We shall never forget the brilliant and gentle Lucien! We love you Elvire, Christiane, Alain and family and Jean-Pierre and family.

Alfred Gerteiny and Nell Murry - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Our Lucien is now beyond the blue horizon – a Tall Ship sailing away toward the glorious infinite. As such she will forever return to the docks of our hearts and memory, as large in mast and spar and hull as she was when she left our side. The Alfred Gerteiny family shares the Gehami’s pain and sorrow now, but never doubt that this Tall Ship will return a million times in the dock of our collective memory; and as always we shall welcome her with the joyful cry: “Here she Comes!” Requiescat in Pace!

Alfred Gerteiny & Family - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GV

“ I work for Dr. Grimaldi and am so very sorry to hear of Lucien's passing. We all thought he was such a gent and so kind to all, and also a cutie pie. We will all miss him. My deepest sympathy to Elvire and all his family.

Gail Varney - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ A gentleman, bright, witty, professional, family man, fellow employee & contract bridge partner. We won often but that was because he didn't kill me when I messed up. Good humor will do that for a partnership!

I have fond memories of his smile & little chuckle. I've thought of him several times over the years. I even found out where he lived when I smacked a golf ball into his front yard!

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Love,

Pav

Pavel Wilson - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Lucien - For 25 years at work, we never got to know one another well. After retirement, at lunches and especially over cappuccino at Giorgio's house, I realized that your modesty concealed the sharpest mind I've ever known. You will be missed.

Don Larson - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM