



Chester "Chet" Allen Winsor

March 4, 1943 - September 18, 2018

Chester (Chet) Allen Winsor, 75 of Tallahassee, passed away September 18, 2018. He grew up in Eagle Mills, New York, earning his bachelors, masters and doctorate of electrical engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI). He moved to Florida to join Martin Marietta, one of the predecessor companies that merged to form Lockheed Martin Corporation. Although most of his career was in the Orlando office he also held two separate positions in the Bethesda, Maryland office. He retired in 2004 as Vice President Technical Operations, Electronics Sector.

Staying active in retirement as long as he could, Chet served many charitable organizations, including Meals on Wheels, Central Florida Lakewatch, AARP tax aide and Stephen Ministry. He was also active in the Lockheed Martin Retirees' Association, serving as its president from 2008-09.

Chet was a devoted husband and father, always investing time in his three children, sharing with them his love for travel, learning, watersports and Florida Gator football. He adored his five grandchildren and was grateful for all the time he got to spend with them. Perhaps his greatest joy was when his entire family was able to be together.

Chet is survived by his wife of 47 years, Foy Hoffman Winsor, his three children, Anne Armstrong of Jacksonville, John Winsor (Jennifer) of Vermont,

Allen Winsor (Alicia) of Tallahassee; his five grandchildren, William, Jack, Isabelle, Allie, Grant; and his two sisters, Mary Schenk (Dick) of New York, and Ruth Martin (Larry) of Michigan.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 11:00 am at Trinity United Methodist Church, Tallahassee. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to RPI, Trinity United Methodist Church, 120 W. Park Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32301 or Parkinson's Outreach Association, 285 Pinewood Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32303.

Kelly Barber of Bevis Funeral Home (850/385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the Winsor family with their arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity United Methodist Church
120 West Park Avenue
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Reception

SEP **22**. 11:45 AM (ET)

Moor Hall
120 West Park Avenue
Tallahassee, FL

Tribute Wall

DR

“ Chet and I were classmates at RPI in the EE Department in the 1960s. He was a remarkably brilliant AND KIND man. We took classes together, enjoyed parties together, snowboarded together and attended our 50th RPI reunion together in 2015. Chet's father, Lauriston P Windsor was a full professor at RPI. He had rows and rows of TALL bookcases which at one unfortunate time came toppling on him as he reached for a volume on a top shelf. He was injured but recovered quickly.

There were four of us who worked on our doctoral theses at the same time who formed a future company: WARC for Chet Windsor, Ray Ash, John Riganati, and Jack Cassidy. We were dreamers and each of us had good lives.

Rest well dear friend. I look forward to seeing you again.

John Riganati

Dr John Riganati - October 15, 2023 at 07:13 PM

RA

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Ray Ash - April 25, 2023 at 10:27 PM

RA

“ I am just now learning of Chester's death in September of 2018, 5 years ago. It was a shock and a surprise to me, as I never knew he was ill. It brought back many memories of my life experiences and adventures with Chet.

I first met Chet in September of 1964 when I began my graduate studies at RPI. He had just graduated from RPI with a Bachelor's degree and was beginning his own graduate studies. He was working for Dr. Rob Roy, whose office was directly across the hall from mine, so I interacted often with Chet and his fellow students Jack Cassidy and John Riganati. We were working at that time on Stabilizing Atlas Rockets after Launch, carrying Satellites into orbit.

Chet, Jack, John and I were not only colleagues at work, but we often spent time together socially. We were together so often that we called ourselves "ARC-W", for Ash, Riganati, Cassidy and Winsor. 😊

One special memory is traveling to Lake Placid, NY with Chet, where the 1932 Winter Olympics had been held. We took a Bobsled ride, drove Snowmobiles on the frozen Lake, and climbed Whiteface Mountain  (by car) to a spectacular vista at 4827 feet elevation. A thrilling day for both of us!

We all graduated with PhD's in June of 1969. Chet took a job with Martin Marietta in Orlando, Florida, while I moved to Cincinnati to work for Procter & Gamble. Chet, Jack, John and I saw one another at RPI Reunions every five years, and I interacted with Chet occasionally by phone.

I am very sad to have lost one of my special friends. I send my condolences to Chet's wife Foy and his family. He will surely be missed.

RIP, Chester. You were one of the best.

The attached photo was taken at the on June 11, 2005 at the 2005 RPI Reunion in Troy, NY

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Ray Ash - April 25, 2023 at 10:10 PM

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“ *Judges and Staff of the First District Court purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Chester "Chet" Allen Winsor.*



Judges and Staff of the First District Court - September 21, 2018 at 12:24 PM