## **JAMES T. KUKANAS**



Age 93, of Regent Square, passed away on January 8, 2024, surrounded by family at his home after a brief illness. Born in 1930 in Kardamyla, Chios, Greece, and came to the United States in 1947.

As a young immigrant, James worked a variety of jobs before creating a successful painting contracting company for over 55 years. He was well respected in the residential and commercial painting industry. He was a

32-degree mason for over 50 years.

James truly lived the American dream. He was quick to give sound advice and help anyone who was in need. His life stories and wisdom will be missed by all.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Theodore and Pelagia; and his son, Theodore. James is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Anna; and his son, Dr. Steve (Anastasia) Kukunas of Pittsburgh; daughter, Pelagia (James) Makricostas of Weirton, WV; his grandchildren, James T. (Riley) Kukunas, James S. Kukunas, Dr. Paul (Dr. Ashley) Kukunas, Eugenia Makricostas, Stephen Kukunas, Anna Makricostas, Annette (Ian) Piper; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be held at the **THOMAS L**. **NIED FUNERAL HOME INC.**, 7441 Washington Street, Swissvale, PA 15218 on Thursday, January 11 from 2-8 P.M. with a Trisagion Service at 7 P.M. Additional visitation will be on Friday, January 12 from 10-11 A.M. at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral. Funeral Service will follow at 11 A.M.

The family asks that all donations be made in his name to St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 419 South Dithridge Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. www.niedfuneralhome.com Send condolences post-sazette.com/sb