

NICHOLAS DAVID JEREMY LANE



Died peacefully on Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Born in London in 1940, he was the son of Zena and Ben Lane. Educated at The Highgate School and Christ Church, Oxford, he qualified as a chartered accountant and worked in financial and internal audit functions at Associated British Foods and Rank Xerox UK.

A voracious reader, inveterate world traveler, a collector of British surrealist and primitive art, as well as ancient Greek and Roman coins. But his passion from the time he was a teenager was collecting guide books and travel literature.

In 1978, he moved to Pittsburgh with his wife and two children, where he worked in various enterprises with members of his wife's family. He became active in Pittsburgh's Jewish community; chairing the local chapter of the American Jewish Committee, the Community Relations Council of the United Jewish Federation and the Campaign for Soviet Jewry. He also served as chair of the Board of Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle. For over a decade, he discussed the news on WTAE's Shalom Pittsburgh. On a national level he was a Trustee of the American Jewish Committee and The Claims Conference which represents the world's Jews in negotiations for compensation and restitution for Holocaust survivors. Appointed by the Presidents of Estonia and Lithuania, he was a member of their historical commissions to record the history of their countries during both the Nazi and Soviet occupations. He served on the Board of Directors of the Carnegie Library and Pittsburgh Arts and Lecture Series. He was a popular lecturer at both the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University Osher programs for many years.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 55 years, Eileen; his sister, Trisha Usick of London, England; his son, Adam (Rebecca Wolfe) of Boston; and his grandchildren, Elliot, Naomi, Oskars, Alise and Tom. He was predeceased by his daughter Erica Lane-Tamuza (Kristaps Tamuzs of Riga, Latvia). He is also survived by his collection of travel guides maintained by the Rare Books and Special Collections of the University of Pittsburgh's Library System.

Services at Rodef Shalom Congregation, 4905 Fifth Avenue (at Morewood Avenue) on Friday, April 12, 2024 at 1 PM. Visitation one hour prior to services (12 Noon to 1 PM). Interment West View Cemetery of Rodef Shalom Congregation. A link to the service live stream is available, please call the funeral home for details, 412-621-8282. Contributions may be made to the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh, 2000 Technology Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 or for fellow books lovers, to the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Arrangements entrusted to **RALPH SCHUGAR CHAPEL, INC.**

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