

THEODORE "TED" FRANCIS HUCKESTEIN, JR.



Age 78, of Upper St. Clair, passed away on January 2, 2025, due to complications related to Parkinson's disease, heart issues, and lung and kidney cancer. Ted was the son of Theodore F. Huckestein, Sr., and Mary Jane Huckestein (Ryan), who both predeceased him. Ted is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Karen L. Huckestein (Rollins); his son, Theodore F. Huckestein III; daughter-in-law, Nissa

Huckestein (Carlson); and granddaughter, Briar Diane of Englewood, CO. Also surviving are his sister, Judy Orlando (John) of New Castle and Naples, FL; his brother, Thomas Huckestein (Cindy) of Verona; and his sister, Mary Kate Thompson of Fort Mill, SC.

Ted was born in Pittsburgh on May 21, 1946. He spent his early life in the Point Breeze section of Pittsburgh. Ted always valued his time spent in Point Breeze, and recalled fondly of his early memories there. Ted's family later moved to Mt. Lebanon, and he graduated from South Hills Catholic High School in 1964. Ted subsequently attended Duquesne University, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting in 1968. Ted's desire to become an attorney was delayed for two years while he served in the U.S. Army, serving a one-year tour of duty in Vietnam. After completing his military service, Ted enrolled in the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, and graduated with a juris doctorate in 1974. Ted was in private practice in Pittsburgh and the South Hills for many years and, later in his law practice, he specialized in estate law. Ted's most noteworthy case was a case that he appealed to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. He won an important victory for his client, which set a new precedent for the rights of surviving parties in joint accounts. Ted was treasured by his clients for being principled and dedicated in providing them with the outstanding service they expected.

Although Ted spent much of his time indoors in his legal practice, he also loved the outdoors. He was an avid participant in fly fishing. He traveled around western PA and northern WV, looking for the best trout streams. Ted often said that he was very lucky in having so many great streams so close to home. Ted also loved canoeing and camping. He traveled for many years to Algonquin Provincial Park in northern Ontario, Canada, for a week or more canoeing, camping, and fishing. He explored the vast park with his brother, Tom, and close friends Dennis Brayley and Kevin Jandreau. They had numerous amusing tales about the many years they spent exploring Algonquin.

Ted also loved the Jersey shore, especially Ocean City. As a child, Ted and his family spent many fun summers together at the beach, and he continued that experience throughout the rest of his life. He had many fond memories with his friends and family enjoying the beach and riding the surf. Even though he was ill, he still wanted to visit Ocean City last fall with his family and close friends.

Ted will be remembered as a kind and gentle person, who was well liked and respected as an attorney, and as a wonderful husband and great father.

Those of us who knew him... knew him as the best of the best. The world will not be the same without him.

Funeral arrangements by **BEINHAUERS**. Friends and Family are welcome at 2828 Washington Rd., McMurray, 724-941-3211, on Tuesday, 2-4 PM and 6-8 PM. Please meet at the funeral home Wednesday, 12 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, 1 PM, at St. Catherine of Laboure Parish, St. Louise de Marillac Church, 320 McMurray Road, Upper St. Clair. Interment to follow with full military honors at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation, <https://www.parkinson.org/>. Please add or view tributes at

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