



Frank H. Verhoek

September 7, 2010

VERHOEK Frank Henry Verhoek, age 101, (long time resident of Worthington) passed away peacefully in Granville, Ohio, Tuesday evening, September 7, 2010. He graduated from Harvard University, S.B. cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa in 1929. He earned an M.S. (1930) and the Ph.D in Chemistry from the University of Wisconsin (1933) and the D.Phil (1935) at Trinity College, Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes Scholar (1933-1936). There also he was a member of the Oxford Bach Choir. After a year of postdoctoral study at the University of Copenhagen, he began a long career as professor in the Department of Chemistry at The Ohio State University, becoming Emeritus Professor of Chemistry in 1977. During that period he also continued postdoctoral study at Stanford University, and held sabbatical and consulting positions at the General Electric Company, Argonne National Laboratory, Olin-Mathieson Chemical Corporation, Liberty Mirror Division of Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company, U.S. Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California, University of Florida, and was a lecturer with the Chemical Bond Approach Project for the National Science Foundation from 1959-1968. Among other publications and presentations, he is co-author of several textbooks and laboratory manuals, in multiple editions, on general chemistry. He enjoyed photography, travel and horticulture. He was Past President and Lifetime Member of the Worthington Garden Club. He was preceded in death in 1998 by his wife of 58 years, Cordula Thurow Verhoek. Dr. Verhoek is survived by his daughters and sons-in-law, Susan and Stephen Williams of Palmyra,

Pennsylvania, Helen and Larry Yarbrough of Evanston, Illinois, Louise and Richard Shiels of Granville, Ohio; two granddaughters, Gwendolyn Yarbrough Nabel and Emily Williams Tilley; great grandson, Elisha Tilley and a new great granddaughter; nieces and nephews and their families. Calling hours will be held 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, September 9, at Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High Street, Worthington. The service will be held 10:30 a.m. Friday, September 10, 2010 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 67 North Fifth Street, Newark, Ohio 43055. Interment to follow at Walnut Grove Cemetery, Worthington, at 1:00 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Department of Chemistry (in the name of Dr. Frank Verhoek) at The Ohio State University, or to Worthington Parks Improvement Fund, c/o Jason Nicodemus, 6550 North High Street, Worthington, OH 43085.

Tribute Wall



“ *Frank H. Verhoek*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *We are all saddened at the loss of our eminent colleague, and wish the family strength and comfort. We were all very proud of our Rhodes Scholar and his great accomplishments, and grateful that we were able to be in touch with him this past year or so.*

The Ohio State University Department of Chemistry - September 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *I know that there were many students and faculty whose lives were touched by Dr. Verhoek's work at The Ohio State University. Our condolences go out to the family at this time of loss.*

Nena B. Bauman, ASC Development - September 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Louise, Helen, Susan & Families: Thank You for the opportunity that I was given as Frank's CareGiver. I so enjoyed my duties while spending time with Frank. I feel like I won the lottery when I was chosen to be his CareGiver. We had a lot of fun on our walks around the Kendal in Granville. Enjoying the beautiful surroundings, flowers, birds, wildlife, etc. I know that I will move on to other clients to care for, but I also know there will NEVER be another one like Frank. He was truly one of a kind and I was honored to be part of his life! Thank You! Barb Mason-Home Instead Senior Care*

Barb Mason - September 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM