

Richard D. Moriarty

Obituary:

Richard D. Moriarty of Jersey City, N.J., died on Oct. 30, 2013, at his home in Sparta, N.J. He was 68. Mr. Moriarty was born on March 20, 1945, at Jersey City Medical Center. He attended St. Bridget's School until 1958, graduated from St. Peter's Prep in 1962, and from St. Peter's College in 1966.

In 1964, Mr. Moriarty married Edna Claire Weihe; they raised their six children in Glen Ridge, N.J., and spent their summers at Lake Mohawk in Sparta, N.J. He began working at Arthur Andersen in 1966 and was a tax partner from 1978 to 2002. Upon retirement, he became a co-owner of Resource NJ, a commercial flooring company. Mr. Moriarty also taught accounting at Jersey City State College from 1969 to 1975. He was president for five years and a board member at the Bergen Center for Child Development, where his daughter, Susan, attended for eight years. Mr. Moriarty was a member of the Glen Ridge Board of Education from 1982 to 1989, and served as president for three years. He enjoyed delivering the diplomas at the high school graduations of his children, grandchildren and friends. One of his accomplishments was starting the first public four-year-old pre-kindergarten in New Jersey and a full day kindergarten at the Forest Avenue School and Linden Avenue School. Mr. Moriarty was a member at Sparta United Methodist Church for over 20 years and volunteered on many committees, including president of the board of trustees.

He loved to play golf, softball, basketball and tennis, and to snow ski and water ski. He loved playing poker and traveling abroad and was known for his dancing and magic tricks. His favorite vacation spot was Rum Point on Cayman Island, where he loved to scuba dive, swim with Stingrays, eat Captain Marvin's famous fresh marinated conch, and watch sunsets with his family. Richard was an extremely kind and generous man. He will be missed by many.

Richard is survived by his wife; his children, Richard, Susan, Mimi, Brendian, Katie, and Craig, and his 14 grandchildren. He loved to spend time with his family. A private memorial service will be held under the direction of the Goble Funeral Home, 22 Main St., Sparta, N.J., at Sparta United Methodist Church. A day of celebration will be held at the Lake Mohawk Golf Club on Nov. 2, 2013.