

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION UPON THE DEATH OF
ATTORNEY ERIC J. WIENER

At the age of 65, Eric J. Wiener died peacefully on Saturday, July 9th, 2011 at his home in Susquehanna Township surrounded by his very devoted and loving family, from the complications of cancer.

He was born on May 24th, 1946 in Hartford, Connecticut to the late Irving and Leah Weiner, his parents of blessed memory.

Eric was a graduate of Conrad High School in West Hartford, Connecticut. He graduated from Central Connecticut State University and then from Suffolk Law School in Boston, Massachusetts. He worked his own way through College and Law School.

He then came to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to work as an Attorney for AMP, now Tyco Electronics.

He was the co-founder of the Handler & Weiner Law Firm which became a very, very successful and respected law office concentrating on personal injury matters, which is now Handler, Henning & Rosenberg. He was always available to his clients, nights and week-ends. I thought his cell phone was permanently attached to his ear!

At his death, he had a thriving law practice on Front Street in Harrisburg, and working with him was Attorney Corey Leshner, a fine young

attorney. He concentrated their law practice on personal injury, commercial litigation, and helping those “pro bono” that lost their way in the world.

He was a very active member of the American Trial Lawyers and the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers, and of course the Dauhin county Bar Association.

He was an active member of Beth El Temple in Harrisburg and had a close personal relationship with Rabbi Eric Cytryn, his Rabbi.

At his funeral, Rabbi Cytryn who was in Israel at the time, e-mailed a beautiful and moving tribute to Eric which also told of his commitment to his synagogue and to the congregation. He responded to all calls for volunteer assistance from his Rabbi.

Eric was an avid car enthusiast all his adult life, a marathon runner, having run in the D.C. Marathon, the New York Marathon and the Harrisburg Marathon. He was very generous with his time and money with a multitude of charities.

But, his greatest joys were practicing law and spending quality time with his family, especially his children and their spouses and grandchildren.

He is survived by his two beloved sons who reside in Harrisburg, Adam and his wife Erin, Ross and his wife Leslie, a daughter Dava and her husband

Rabbi Eric Yanoff of Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania, a sister Merle Harris and her husband David of West Hartford, Connecticut and his pride and joy, his seven grandchildren, Sammy, Owen, Sarah, Morgan, Aiden, Leah, and Ezra.

Funeral services were held on July 10th with his son-in-law, Rabbi Eric Yanoff, officiating and giving a most beautiful and meaningful eulogy about Eric's life with his entire family from a very personal perspective that only a loving family member could write and deliver to a standing room only crowd of people from literally all walks of life. Eric would have been "shocked" to see all the people there and the love for him that filled the Chapel that day to pay their respects.

Eric's first wife Judi, the mother of his children, who lives in Florida, came up to visit him when he was sick and was present at his funeral, as was Lou Ann, his second wife, whose maiden name is Roher, who stood by Eric during his professional difficulties, and when he became so ill as did the entire remarkable Roher family, who loved and stood by Eric. He loved them with all his heart.

Eric never cut off a friendship. At his funeral were friends from over 55 years. He had a good business mind and a constant and hard work ethic and

passed that ethic on to his three children. He wanted his children to learn the value of a hard earned dollar. If his children were happy, he was happy. He would attend many activities of his grandchildren like plays, soccer games, and swim meets.

Eric will be missed everyday by his close family and friends, and by many clients who he represented over the years. His clients were more than clients, they became his friends.

Therefore, be it recorded, that in the passing of Eric Weiner, the bar has lost an able practitioner and a man who took a huge professional fall, but who spent his last years attempting to restore his good name and professional image. This took great courage and persistence, as the easier path would have been to fade into the shadows, but that was not Eric. This Resolution Committee believes that one must be judged, at the end of one's life, by the viewing of the totality of ones years on earth, especially the good deeds performed.

And resolved further, that the members of the Dauphin County Bar Association in a meeting assembled on October 31st, 2011, in Court Room #1, mourn the death of Attorney Eric Wiener, and tender our sincere sympathy

and condolences to his entire family, his close friends, and his devoted caregivers, who took care of him during the last months of his life, and his devoted secretary, Connie.

And resolved further, that copies of this Memorial Resolution be spread upon the records of the Dauphin County Courts and the Dauphin County Bar Association, that the original copy be filed in the Office of the Prothonotary, and that copies be transmitted to his family.

We believe that all of us must strive everyday to be a true credit to ourselves, to this Honorable Court and to our Community, for that really is all that will be endured when we leave this world, not the money we make or the fame we may have obtained.

Remember, no one's life is without obstacles and some hard knocks, but we all must be self-reflective enough to keep going and to keep refining ourselves, as we make our own journey through life. This is Eric's legacy.

Respectfully submitted,

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