

LOUIS F. NIEZER

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

Once again we pause in the active calendars of our lives, to spend some solemn moments of expression and exchange, in honor of a departed colleague.

Louis F. Niezer, attorney, industrialist, and church and civic leader died in Venice, Florida on February 17, 1983.

Mr. Niezer received his education in the law and his professional graduate degree from Indiana University in 1937, following his under graduate days at Notre Dame.

He was admitted to the bar, and practiced law for nearly 20 years with Niezer and O'Dowd, and following his retirement from Tokheim in 1981 was affiliated with Shoaff, Parker, and Keegan.

He was not often in the Forums of the Court, and his private practice, was second to his other laudable areas of practice. He employed his legal knowledge along with unusual business acumen to accomplish a distinctive record as an able industrialist, and as a leading, sometimes path finding executive.

A list of his achievements, fairly garnered, in this community, would have to include his leadership of Tokheim Corporation, as president and chairman of the Board; many directorships including the Fort Wayne National Bank, St. Francis College, Indiana Manufactures' Ass'n., Junior Achievement, the Purdue Foundation, Board of Park Commissioners and as president;

St. Joseph Hospital, Taxpayers Research Ass'n., Our Sunday Visitor and the Chamber of Commerce.


We must not over-look the personal side of Louie Niezer. He loved, and more, was deeply devoted to his church. He certainly was one of the outstanding lay members of the Fort Wayne-South Bend diocese. Pope Paul the VI named him as a Knight of St. Gregory, for his outstanding service.

He was blessed with a lovely wife, and a sizeable and devoted family - a father and patriarch who will be missed and mourned.

Louie Niezer was a good lawyer, a far-sighted and accomplished executive, a devoted and loyal advocate of the causes he espoused. He was a gentleman, a fine man.

This association has suffered another loss.

Respectfully submitted,

  
James W. Jackson

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