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Wilhelmus "Wim" Heusdens, age 78, of St. Augustine Beach, passed away unexpectedly on January 7, 2015 at Flagler Hospital. A native of the Netherlands, Wim was as blessed with great intelligence and an inquisitive nature. He completed college level training in Sub Tropical Agriculture in the Netherlands, and move to the U.S. to study at Texas Tech. He later completed graduate school at Kansas State University where he completed his Ph.D. in cereal food chemistry. A talented scientist and researcher, Wim worked in research and development in the food industry, for companies that included, Ralston Purina in St. Louis, Staley Corp in Chicago, and Alberto Culver. His experience in R& D for these companies helped him to become an expert in soybean and soybean products, and in 1980, he formed his own consulting company, R&D Management, in downtown Chicago, and continued his work in the food industry. He later helped form T and G Associates with several of his colleagues, and was a member of the Institute of Food Technologists and other professional organizations. Wim was a devoted husband and father, he was dedicated to his work and was an extremely driven individual and accomplished much in his life. In his down time he enjoyed sailing, golf and tennis and was a member of Marsh Creek Country Club. He is survived by wife of 19 years, Janice "Jan" Heusdens of St. Augustine; daughter, Leighann Heusdens (Ariel) of Chicago; a son, Michael Heusdens (Ariana) of Seattle,

Washington; stepchildren, Bethany Feeley (Kevin), Thomas John "TJ" Huestis, and Annie Mabra (Aaron), all of Chicago; and grandchildren, Luca Marini, Maxima Marini, Amelia Heusdens, Hazel Heusdens, Lindsey Feeley, Will Feeley, and Nate Feeley. He was preceded in death by a son, Eugene Heusdens. A memorial service will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday at St. Johns Family Funeral Home with Rev. Buford Adams officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations in Wim's memory can be made to the Salvation Army, 1850 State Road 207, St. Augustine, FL 32086 St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ *May the love of family and friends bring you peace and comfort.*

Nancy & Chuck Willoughby - January 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ *Dear Oom Wim, You have left us all with SO MANY GOOD memories full of joy and laughter. Always a good joke, a tasty shot and a puff of fine cigars. That saying, "Live, Love, Laugh" was coined after YOU. Life is short but OH SO SWEET. We will miss you dearly Oom Wim, Peace be with you always, Peter K I will turn their mourning into gladness; I will give them comfort and joy instead of sorrow. Jeremiah 31:13*

Peter kaltenecker - January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Jan and family, I thought that I had left a message yesterday, however, I do not see it now (Saturday). Just wanted to let you know, Jan, that I am so sorry about Wim! My prayers and thoughts will be with you during these days and weeks! I'm sorry that I can't be with you during this time, but I know that you have many friends and family with you! And that you will have many happy memories of your years together! God will be with you, dear godchild, in a special way! much love, Aunt Sister Elizabeth Jean*

Sr. Elizabeth Siebenaler - January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ Dear Jan and Family, Wem was a good person and brother-in law. He will be missed by all. Always enjoyed a good party. will always remember the good times with him. you have our deepest sympathy.will keep him,you and family in our prayers,,,,love Phil and Christine

Phil & Christine Siebenaler - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ Dear Family, We remember Wim as a man with a dynamic personality. Friends and family enjoyed his welcoming and cheerful manner. Wim's sudden passing has saddened us deeply and we extend our love and sympathy to all who had the pleasure of knowing him. We are thinking of you during this challenging time. Love , Greg and Gayle

Greg & Gayle Knight - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM