



Jude C. Pohl

October 7, 1945 - September 7, 2015

Obituary

Jude C. Pohl, 69, of Houston, died Monday, September 7, 2015 in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh. He was born October 7, 1945 in Pittsburgh, a son of Charles and Catherine Morgan Pohl. Mr. Pohl was a well known theatrical producer. He produced dinner theatre shows at various venues in the Pittsburgh area for over 40 years, the most recent being the Crowne Plaza Cabaret in Bethel Park. He has been credited with the discovery of superstar Christina Aguilera. Christina worked with Jude when she was nine years old, and he filmed her audition tape for Walt Disney's Mickey Mouse Club, which she later starred on. As a producer, he was responsible for the two longest running shows in Pittsburgh theatre history, "Nunsense" for five years and "Forever Plaid" over three years. Mr. Pohl was a veteran, having served with the US Navy during the Vietnam War. Following his service, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD. Surviving are his wife, playwright, actress, composer, Shirley Miller Haviland Pohl; brother, Robert Pohl of Aspinwall; sister, Mary Andree (Clifford) of New Kensington; a niece Rebecca Andree; and two nephews, Charles and Michael Andree. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 15, 2015 in Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, Meadow Lands, with Rev. Carmen A. D'Amico as celebrant. Interment will follow in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies, Cecil Township. Services are entrusted to the McIlvaine-Speakman Funeral Home Ltd., Robert K. McIlvaine, Owner/Supervisor, 27 Cherry Ave., Houston, PA 15342. Full military rites will be accorded by the VFW Post #191 Honor Guard. The family suggests memorial contributions to; The Little Sisters of the Poor, 1028 Benton Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15212; or The Salvation Army, 60 East Maiden St., Washington, PA 15301 or donate.salvationarmyusa.org.