John H. Muetterties (FCAS 1956)
1923-2013
A MAN OF INFLUENCE

John H Muetterties, FCAS, FCA, MAAA passed away last Thursday, February 14, at the age of 89. He became a Fellow of the CAS in 1956, and was a charter member of the American Academy. He was awarded the Matthew Rodermund lifetime volunteer service award for his service to the profession in many ways, including the Boards of Directors of the CAS and the CCA, and as President of the Conference of Consulting Actuaries.

The son of John K. Muetterties and Theresa (Seiler) Muetterties, he graduated from Elgin High School in Elgin, Illinois, in 1941. Muetterties went on to attend the University of Wisconsin, but his college studies were interrupted with the breakout of World War II. He served for three years in the United States Navy, seeing action in the Pacific and obtaining the rank of lieutenant.

After earning a statistics degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1948, he worked his way up in several companies, including the Insurance Department for the State of Wisconsin, San Francisco’s Industrial Indemnity Company and Sentry Insurance Company in Stevens Point. He went to New York in 1970 to head the Insurance Rating Board’s actuarial-statistical department. Later, he became president of ISO’s government and industry relations.

In 1978 the company man started his own business, MBA Consulting Services, in Mountain Lakes, New Jersey. He retired from his business in 2006 at the age of 83.

Muetterties and his wife lived in Mountain Lakes for 38 years, and the couple traveled extensively throughout the United States and the world. He enjoyed school sports and came to watch each of his eight children play in one or more sporting events when they were young. The couple were also boosters for the various Mountain Lakes High School teams.

Muetterties is survived by his wife of 64 years, Mary Ann (Tobler). He is also survived by his eight children and their spouses, Andrew (Marsha) Muetterties, Mundelein, Illinois; Robert (Robyn) Muetterties, Boxford, Massachusetts; John Henry (Lisa) Muetterties, Littleton, Colorado; William (Amy) Muetterties, Lancaster, Kentucky; Jane (Martin Cronk) Muetterties, Boonton Township, New Jersey; Joseph (Kristin) Muetterties, Centennial, Colorado; David (Vicky) Muetterties, Roswell, Georgia, and Anne (Bill Hunter) Muetterties, York, Pennsylvania. In addition, he leaves 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was also predeceased by his sister, Margaret (Muetterties) Meagher.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Visiting Nurse Association, 175 South St., Morristown, New Jersey 07960 (vnannj.org).