

The Proud Kiwi

Stephen S. Makgill (FCAS 1957) 1929-2019

Stephen Makgill died peacefully at his home in Newtown, Pennsylvania, at the age of 89. He was married to Joan Woods Makgill for 63 years. Heather Makgill Lyon wrote that her father took great pride in being a CAS Fellow and that he and her mother had many great memories of CAS meetings and gatherings. An active CAS volunteer, Makgill most notably chaired the Long-Range Planning Committee (1986-1988) and received the Matthew Rodermund Memorial Service Award in 2008. He was born in Auckland, New Zealand, and graduated from the University of Michigan. He worked at The Travelers Companies in Hartford for 20 years. He moved his family to Berwyn, Pennsylvania, when he became president of the Pennsylvania and Delaware Compensation Rating Bureaus. In 1989 he retired with his wife to Fripp Island, South Carolina, where they spent 27 years playing golf and tennis. The couple loved to travel and often visited family and friends in New Zealand. Makgill also loved to fish. Makgill is survived by his wife; children, Kathleen (Greg) Sisk, Stephen (Kelly) Makgill Jr., Heather (William) Lyon and Allison (Trevor) Giles; brother, David of New Zealand; 15 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.