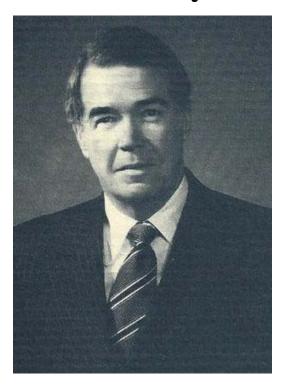
John Turbidy



John Berry Turbidy, 86, of St. Simons Island, Ga., died peacefully at home on Monday, Jan. 12 after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was the son of Louyse Berry and Joseph Leo Turbidy from Rome, Ga. He was the grandson of John Marshall Berry, a leading North Georgia textile industrialist, who also raced trotting horses, winning a number of key races in the South and finishing second in the coveted Hambletonian (Meadowlands Racetrack) in 1928.

John attended Darlington Prep School where he played football, was on the Honor Council and graduated with honors. He spent a post-graduate year at the Peddie School in Hightstown, N.J. He then entered Duke University where he was a member of the Kappa Alpha order, was active in many school activities and majored in history. Following graduation in 1950, John went on active duty for two years in the U.S. Navy at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

His career began with the Georgia Division of Lockheed Aircraft in Marietta, Ga. In 1956, he moved to New York City to join McKinsey and Company, the prestigious management consulting firm and soon became one of the firm's earliest international consultants when they opened their London office in 1959.

Over the next decade he lived abroad in England, Belgium and Italy where he transitioned from a Consultant to a Corporate Executive. He held key leadership positions at ITT International (group general manager for Northern Europe and Vice President for European Consumer Products) and the Celanese Corporation (chief executive for a \$75 million Italian paper subsidiary).

In 1970, he moved back to the U.S. and was the founder, chairman and chief executive of Vecta Contract, Inc., a \$25 million furniture manufacturer; followed by executive vice president and senior vice president of corporate development roles at IU International; senior investment banker at James D. Wolfensohn, Inc.; and president, chief executive and executive vice president of the \$1.25 billion private investment company, Pitcairn Financial Group.

His best known public service started in 1983, as one of the original members of the Board of Directors for the Statue of Liberty — Ellis Island Foundation. From 2004 to 2007, he served as chairman of the board and helped raise half a billion dollars to restore the Statue and Ellis Island, all from private sources.

John was predeceased by his first wife, Joan Marsales Turbidy. He is survived by his brother, Martin Turbidy; his loving wife, Jackie Lamond Turbidy; his sons, John Berry and Trevor Martin Turbidy and their wives, Alicia and Karen; his grandchildren, Shannon, Sabrina, Collin and Vivian; his stepchildren, Jane Schluter, Charlotte Bashforth and Anne Schluter; and their children, Lucy, Sotirios, Panayiotis and Tommy.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23 at Christ Church, Frederica, St. Simons Island, Ga., with a burial and reception following.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Hospice of Golden Isles, 1692 Glynco Parkway, Brunswick, GA 31525.

Arrangements are entrusted to Chapman Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, Inc., Brunswick, GA 31525.