



Robert Langer

January 22, 1929 - March 22, 2014

Robert Langer, age 85, of Philadelphia, PA passed away March 22, 2014. He was born January 22, 1929 in Vienna, Austria to the late Ignatz and Stefanie Langer. Mr. Langer fled the country at the age of 10 and found refuge in the Shanghai Refugee Community from 1939-1948. He then immigrated to the United States and received his BA in 1952 from Brooklyn College and his MSW in 1954 from Columbia University School of Social Work. He then went on to serve in the U.S. Army as a psychiatric social worker at Ft. Gordon, GA from 1954-56. Mr. Langer had a rewarding career as a social work professional with United Way in Pontiac and Battle Creek, MI; St. Louis, MO; New York; and Philadelphia. He also was the Associate Executive Director of the National Assembly of National Voluntary Health and Social Welfare Organizations, NYC; a Charter Member of NASW; the recipient of NASW-PA Lifetime Achievement award; and a member of the CUSSW Alumni Association Board. Mr. Langer leaves his beloved wife of 55 years, Dr. Elizabeth H. Levy; cousins, Mary Steinhauser of Vienna, Alice Wald Phil of California and Giora Bernstein of Israel; devoted niece, Barbara Landes Mark of Alexandria, VA; and nephew, David Levy Suzette of Boca Raton, FL. Private graveside service to be held in Detroit. There will be a memorial service in Philadelphia in late Spring - to be announced. Memorials to the Columbia University School of Social Work are appreciated. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, MI, 248-541-7000. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.