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With deep sadness we announce the passing of our dear friend Ivan Lantos. Born in Budapest, Ivan escaped Hungary after the 1956 revolution and settled in Canada. He obtained his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry at Sir George Williams University (now Concordia) and his Ph.D at McGill University. After a post-doctorate at Princeton, he had a highly successful professional career working for GlaxoSmithKline for 30 years, creating some 85 patents. Ivan was a member of the American Chemical Society and the Congregation B'nai Jacob in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania. He was also an avid traveler, visiting six continents, skiing around the world, leaving behind dear friends in Budapest, Montreal, Philadelphia, Toronto and Delray Beach. He was known best for his fun-loving spirit, easy smile and oftentimes unfiltered (but welcomed) humor.

After a lengthy illness, he passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his ever-caring wife, Krisztina, loving son Andrew and compassionate daughter-in-law, Rachel. A brief funeral service will be held in Florida. His friends are planning to hold a celebration of life next year in Montreal to remember his always joyful, loving and generous nature.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Ivan Lantos's memory to the Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research Foundation (https://www.alzinfo.org/donate/donation_form/)



Tribute Wall

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Brian Adger shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



I have only just found out very belatedly of the passing of my dear friend and colleague Ivan Lantos. Sadly we had lost touch following his retirement and move to Florida. I first met Ivan in April 1982 along with another dear friend and colleague, Dr Dave Tuddenham. We met in London and had dinner first in a celebrated Hungarian restaurant in Soho called "The Gay Hussar" which sadly recently closed its doors. Ivan got me into trouble with the bosses by ordering the most expensive bottle of wine on the list and made things worse by ordering a second bottle. We went on to enjoy a very special evening in a piano bar close to Piccadilly Circus. Ivan was attired in a white suit. Ivan was a joy to be with, always a lot of fun, but serious too when it came to chemistry. I will miss him very much. Brian AdgerBATHEngland

August 23 at 11:02 PM



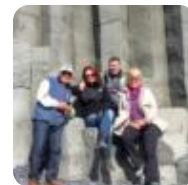
Michael McGuire posted:

Ivan was a terrific chemist and he was very kind to me. He helped me in my career when I needed it and in fact got me the job at SmithKline. He was a character and a smart and generous man. I miss him.

January 26 at 3:59 AM



Rachel Durham Lantos shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.



July 16 at 8:35 AM



Rachel July 17 at 11:27 AM
Ivan, Rachel, Andrew and Kriszta in Iceland (July 2016)



Mort Tenny posted:

Dear Kriszta and Andrew - The funeral yesterday was beautiful - Ivan was a good friend and we spent many happy times together - I will always remember him - God bless you - Mort Tenny

July 14 at 7:01 AM



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Marilyn Altshuler posted:

Dear Krista-I just heard about Ivan's passing and wanted to express my condolences to you and the family. He was such a sweet man. I know that he suffered a lot with his ailments and am sorry for him and for you having to witness it all. My best to you. Marilyn Altshuler

July 12 at 4:05 PM



Ron Konowitz July 14 at 7:40 AM

I began playing tennis with Ivan when we first moved into Valencia Palms. He was always friendly and exuberant about many things. We continued to be friends over the years and my wife, Ellen, and I enjoyed many happy times playing Canasta with Ivan and Krista. We learned so many great things about Ivan when we watched the virtual video of his service. He accomplished so much in his life that he was too modest to communicate to others about. His lifelong adventures and deep and lasting friendships are things to be envied. Ivan, we hope that you rest in peace. Ron and Ellen Konowitz



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(from left) Ivan, Rachel, Andrew, and Kriszta



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ivan by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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