Charles B. Meinhold

Charles B. Meinhold, 83, of Brookhaven, died Nov. 3. Born in Boston, Mass., Mr. Meinhold graduated from Providence College with a B.S. in physics in 1956 and earned an AEC Fellow in radiological physics at the University of Rochester in 1957. He worked for many years at Brookhaven National Laboratory as a senior health physicist, head of the Safety and Environmental Protection Division, and a senior scientist and deputy division head for the Radiological Sciences Division. Mr. Meinhold held leadership roles in many professional scientific societies and traveled the world giving lectures and attending scientific conferences.

In his personal life, Mr. Meinhold took great pride in his family. He was an avid Yankees fan and loved to tell a good story. Mr. Meinhold was president of the South Haven School Board of Education for many years, and volunteered with Friends of Wertheim. A dedicated Roman Catholic and parishioner at Mary Immaculate Church in Bellport for nearly 60 years, Mr. Meinhold was deeply dedicated to those less fortunate, putting his heart and soul into his work with the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He had a very strong belief in both faith and science and how the two can coexist in the modern world.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Anne E. Meinhold; his children, Anne F., Patricia, Michael and wife, Patricia, Peter and wife, Ming Ng, and Catherine and husband, William Hafener; his 12 grandchildren; and his grandson-in-law.

A Mass and celebration of life will be held Dec. 27 at 11 a.m. at Mary Immaculate Church, Bellport.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent de Paul Society and would be appreciated by the family.