



Stanley Lyman Sommerfield

May 16, 1919 - January 17, 2018

Stanley Lyman Sommerfield passed away January 17th at age 98. He was born May 16, 1919 to Maurice Henry Sommerfield and Fannie Stone Sommerfield in Syracuse, NY and attended Syracuse University (BA cum laude 1940, JD cum laude 1942). He was a 1st Lt. in the US Army during WWII, serving as a Transport Commander/Cargo Security Officer on liberty ships and in counter intelligence. He had a long and successful career as an attorney with the US Treasury from 1942 until 1980, serving as the Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control from 1963 until his retirement in 1980. He had a central role in creating the regulations used by the US government to economically sanction foreign governments and freeze foreign assets. For his work establishing these vital tools of US foreign policy and his efforts over almost four decades implementing sanctions, including freezing billions of dollars of Iranian assets in response to the seizure of the US embassy in 1979, he was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal and the Exceptional Service Medal by the Treasury. Stanley met and married his wife, Fay Sommerfield, formerly Fay Cario, in Hong Kong in 1954. Stanley and Fay moved from Annandale, Virginia to Nokomis, Florida in 1989. Stan's varied interests included boating, fishing, football, photo, video and computer technology, tennis, travel, and dog shows. All who knew him will forever remember his keen intellect, wit and good humor. Stan is survived by his wife Fay, son Mark, daughter Sue, daughter-in-law Evita and grand-daughter Camille. There will be a graveside service at King David Memorial Gardens in

Falls Church at 3:00 on Sunday, January 21st with a reception to follow.

Tribute Wall



“ *Stanley Lyman Sommerfield*

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