John Bondra, 1921-2013


Private family services will be at a later date.

John J. Bondra was born May 16, 1921, in Homer City, Pa., the son of John and Agatha Vilcek Bondra. He married Margaret Lakatos in 1941, and she preceded him in death in 2007.

Mr. Bondra was a graduate of the California Institute of Technology, served his country in the U.S. Army and worked as a mechanical engineer in the aerospace industry.

He also had a love for animals.

Survivors include his son, Charles Bondra of Columbia; two grandchildren, Joyce Yeagle of Chicago and Stephen Bondra of Springfield; and two great-grandchildren, Ian and Max.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a daughter, Patricia, in 1966.

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