
Richard Eli Strassner

Obituary

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Strassner, Richard Eli Richard Eli Strassner passed away on Friday, October 13, 2017. A devoted husband, father and grandfather, he is survived by his wife of 63 years, Molly Stark Strassner; his children Anne L. Strassner (Sandy Feldman), Peter S. Strassner (Dianne Strassner), Sally S. Scott (Sanford Scott); and grandchildren Amanda McFarland (Neal McFarland), Julia V.S. Feldman, Samuel S. Feldman, Elizabeth Strassner, Thomas Strassner and Molly Scott. Richard was the son of Eli M. Strassner and Catherine Mendle Strassner. He was pre-deceased by his brother, Leigh S. Strassner. He was born, March 15, 1931, and raised in St. Louis. He graduated from John Burroughs School, where he played varsity baseball, basketball and football, and from [Princeton University](#). He served in the U.S. Army Counterintelligence Corps from 1953-1956. He was a senior executive for Famous-Barr Stores, Stix, Baer & Fuller, Edison Brothers and Worths Stores Incorporated. He later owned and operated Control Consultants & Supply Co. and co-owned the Strassner Company. Richard served on many civic boards, including the Urban League, Easter Seals and the Voluntary Action Center, and was a volunteer Medicare counselor for the State of Missouri Health Insurance Program. He was a great reader and a lifelong Faulkner devotee. He was an early computer enthusiast, providing computer advice and troubleshooting to many friends. Richard was an exceptionally intelligent, kind, loyal, generous and discerning man who took great care of his family and friends. His family thanks the doctors, nurses and aides who cared for Richard in his final months. There will be a private family interment. Memorial contributions may be made to the Jewish Federation of St. Louis (Kopolow Building, 12 Millstone Campus Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146 or [jfedstl.org](#)) or BJC Hospice/Evelyn's House (P.O. Box 957421, St. Louis, MO 63195-7421 or [bjchospice.org](#)).