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SANSOSTI, ALEXANDER '37

Alexander "Alex" Sansosti, of Bethel Park and Friendship Village, Upper St. Clair, PA, died Friday, 6 February 2004, at Friendship Village. He was 91.

Sansosti grew up in an Italian immigrant family, the son of a Pittsburgh tailor. His swimming skills, acquired as a young man, earned him scholarships to both Augusta Military Academy in Fort Defiance, VA, and Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, where he majored in architecture. Opting to finish his education in his hometown, Sansosti returned to Pittsburgh and earned his degree in architecture at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, now Carnegie Mellon University.

Sansosti served with the US Navy "Seabees" in the Pacific during World War II. He was employed at PPG Industries after his discharge from the service, but he later left PPG and opened his own architectural firm. In the 1960s, he was associated with the architectural firm of Deeter Ritchey Sippel and was the supervising architect for the construction of Three Rivers Stadium. He was considered one of the top men in checking out the work in progress.

During his career, Sansosti worked on the renovation of the Syria Mosque, when it was located in Oakland, and Kingdom Hall, also located in Oakland. He was a member of St. David's Episcopal Church in Venetia, where he served in the vestry

Sansosti is survived by his wife, Linda Pizzi Sansosti, and a cousin, Darius Sansosti. He was predeceased by siblings Rose Maugeri, Ann Innocent, Gerard Sansosti, Armand Sansosti, and Ida Pontiere.

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During his one year at Augusta, Sansosti was a member of the Swimming Team and the Monogram Club.

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