



## Carl G. Vinson

February 10, 1930 - March 23, 2020

Carl G. Vinson Jr., age 90 of Eastlake, OH, passed away Monday, March 23, 2020, at the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, Cleveland, OH. The Cleveland VA has helped Carl get the most out of life over nearly the past two decades.

Carl was born on February 10, 1930, in Yonkers, NY. Carl grew up in St. Louis surrounded by extended family where he developed his strong Christian faith which stayed with him throughout his life, being an active member of Good Shepherd and Faith Lutheran Churches in Mentor.

Mr. Vinson retired from Ricerca (Diamond Shamrock) in Concord Township after 30 years. He was a proud graduate of Washington University in St. Louis, where he began his education in chemistry. After a stint serving in the Army stateside during the Korean War, he returned to school to study chemical engineering at the University of Illinois and the University of Michigan where he received his PhD in Chemical Engineering and met his wife, Barbara.

Carl had many interests over the years, though his abiding interest was in chemistry and engineering. Science and math books were his favorite study materials, though he enjoyed reading on the great people of history as well. In his earlier days, Carl enjoyed trains and the industry that grew around the rails

– taking regular trips to Chicago to walk the rails. He was also an avid cyclist in the days before helmets and cycling-specific gear were common. He would regularly take long rides from his office into the Lake and Geauga County countryside.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Barbara Alm Vinson; sons Jonathan “Jack” (Marci Cohen) Vinson and Robert “Bob” (Monika) Vinson; and grandchildren Graham, Hogarth, Nora, and Amelia Vinson.

Preceding Carl in death are his parents, Edna and Carl G. Vinson; and stepmother, Esther Vinson.

A memorial service will be held at 1 pm on Sunday, April 18, 2021, at Faith Lutheran Church, 8125 Mentor Ave, Mentor, OH 44060. Masks are required and social distancing is encouraged during all publicly attended events.

The family request contributions may be made in memory of Carl G. Vinson Jr. to Faith Lutheran Church of Mentor, OH or Paralyzed Veterans of America.

Arrangements entrusted to Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060. Offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR **18**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Faith Lutheran Church  
8125 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-2229

# Tribute Wall



“ Thoughts and prayers to the family of Carl. Carl always surprised me that he could get up ramps so easily in the wheelchair even through ice and snow. Sometimes at Faith I would walk ahead with Barb on the long ramp coming down, and Carl would pause and wait until the ramp was clear and then come down in his wheelchair very fast!! Had lots of strength!

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**Amanda Coughlin** - March 31, 2020 at 10:02 AM



“ I knew Carl for a long time and really liked him. Unfortunately I didn't get to know him better. Condolences to Barb and Jack.  
Tom Leininger

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**TOM LEININGER** - March 30, 2020 at 11:46 AM



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**Jack Vinson** - March 25, 2020 at 09:58 PM