

SZEKER, ERNEST T., JR. - 66, of Brigantine, NJ, passed away suddenly on May 30, 2015. Born in Hamilton, NJ, Ernie attended local schools and was a figure in many youth sports leagues, playing baseball (Little Lads, Babe Ruth and American Legion), soccer and basketball. He excelled at baseball and was a noted pitcher, with several perfect games to his credit. He graduated from Bordentown Military Institute, attended University of Delaware and Rider College and received his MBA from Monmouth College. Ernie had a long career as a finance officer with various firms and is the owner of three NJ check cashing operations. Ernie's love of life on the water led him to settle and raise his family on Brigantine Island. He was active in many local organizations including the Elks. Ernie shared his love of sports, donating many hours to coaching youth in Brigantine sports leagues including baseball, soccer and hockey. He was also a noted sportsman, winning competitions in hunting, fishing and trap shooting. Ernie is survived by his wife, Joan, his beloved children Jeffrey (Brooke) and Jennifer of Philadelphia, his cherished grandchildren Jillian and Ryan, his brother Herman and wife Nancy, nieces Anne and Claire and nephew Thomas, and cousins including Doreen Szeker. He was predeceased by his parents, Edna and Ernest Sr., his sister Marjorie (Marn) and brother Jeffrey. Relatives and friends are invited to attend his Life Celebration and gathering on Friday June 5, 2015 from 10:30 am to 12noon at Keates –Plum Funeral Home, 3112 W. Brigantine Ave Brigantine. Words of remembrance will be shared at 12noon. Interment is private at the family's convenience. The Family requests in lieu of flowers please send donations to the Brigantine Baseball Association, PO Box 1234 Brigantine, NJ 08203. Press of Atlantic City, The: Web Edition Articles (NJ) - Tuesday, June 2, 2015