Memorial Resolution
Albert John Lindemann

Emeritus Professor A. John Lindemann died peacefully on Monday, January 29.

John was born into a well-known Milwaukee industrial family in 1912. They operated the Lindemann Hoverson Company which produced kitchen ranges for many years before being sold to the Tappan Corporation.

John attended a military academy preparatory school in Indiana where he became an excellent horseman and participated in competitive horsemanship meets. He was educated as an engineer, receiving Bachelors and Masters degrees from Cornell University. Following graduation he was an instructor at Rutgers University from 1938-1941. During the Second World War he served as a major in the US Army. He was assigned to the strategic planning section in Washington D.C. and worked on basic strategies for the War.

When he returned from the service he became an Industrial Engineering and Management Consultant in Cleveland, Toledo, and Milwaukee until 1956 when he joined the University of Wisconsin. He was one of the first to become a member of the faculty of the Commerce Division of the newly formed University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. He taught courses in the Industrial Management area including courses that were cross-listed with Industrial Engineering in the Engineering Division of UWM and later, the College of applied Science & Engineering (now C.E.A.S.).

John was one of the charter faculty members of UWM, and he was also a charter member of the School of Business Administration when it was formed in 1966 from the Commerce Division. Professor Lindemann was a major contributor and supporter in the establishment of the School and its programs. He was dedicated to UWM achieving its urban mission and cooperated in bringing about innovation and change in the School’s endeavors. He served on the newly constituted Undergraduate Program Committee and assisted in developing the unique SBA Bachelor of Business Administration program. He worked closely with industrial management and production students and helped to develop the internship program with Milwaukee industry. For many years John served diligently on the UWM Library Committee. He edited the Encyclopedic Dictionary of Management and Manufacturing Terms in 1974.

John lived for many years in the family’s log home on Big Cedar Lake, later at the Milwaukee University Club and the Astor Hotel. He was a regular evening fixture in the University Club’s dining room for many years.

In 1982 John retired due to recurring illness, but continued an active association with the School. He is survived by a daughter, Laura Tomek of Oakpark, Illinois and a son, John Peter Lindemann of Rome, Ohio. A memorial service was held on Saturday, February 3rd at the Episcopal Cathedral on Juneau Avenue.