



Mr. Dennis P. Wielech

October 2, 1936 - November 20, 2019

On November 20, 2019, Dennis P. Wielech, beloved husband of the late Victoria Wielech, devoted father of Kathryn Patterson and her husband Neal and David Wielech. Also survived by nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to smiletrain.org.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

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“ *Dennis Wielech was the real deal. Not only did he live a principled life of 83-years, but he made contributions to humanity, and they are significant.*

Mr. Wielech was a Grandfather of smartphone technologies used today by nearly everyone in the world.

~ In 1970, Dennis conceived the idea of transmitting data using ship-to-shore radio, the prevailing mobile technology at the time. 33 y/o Dennis was an insurance salesman and knew he would have the opportunity to close the deal on the spot and avoid a return trip if he could just get his client's information back to the insurance underwriters in the office. So, he figured out how to send beeps and boops recorded on punch card data forms over the radio. His creation of transmitting digital data over the airwaves spawned numerous industries including our smartphone technologies.

~ In 1972, his brilliant idea led him to form Interdigital Communications Corp, now a \$1.8B company traded on NASDAQ [IDCC].

~ In 1982 Dennis also co-founded TACT, one of America's first computer/network security developers used by NSA, and he did much more too.

Dennis is a great friend and generously gave his time and sage advice to mentor many others in business. He gave his best in life and deserves the best hereafter.

Gregory Ottensmeyer - November 26, 2019 at 01:29 PM

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“Gregory Ottensmeyer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis P. Wielech



Gregory Ottensmeyer - November 26, 2019 at 01:20 PM