



JOHN J. LUCCA

LUCCA--John J., DDS, of Ridgewood, NJ. The family and friends of Dr. John J. Lucca, as well as his colleagues at Columbia University College of Dental Medicine, mourn his passing at age 93. He died in his bed at home, very peacefully in his sleep on Wednesday, February 11th. Dr. Lucca received his DDS degree from Columbia in 1947 and was a member of the faculty since that time. He rose from the rank of research assistant in 1947 to Full Professor and Director of the Division of Prosthodontics, a position he held until his retirement in 1986. He was a member and past president of the Greater New York Academy of Dentistry and the American College of Dentists. Because of his dedication and devotion to the Columbia University College of Dental Medicine on so many levels, the John J. Lucca Prosthodontics Clinic was so named in 2000.

Dr. Lucca served on many secular and religious committees. He was inducted into the American Association of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta in 1974, a Roman Catholic organization to aid the sick, disabled, poor, homeless and illiterate. He was the beloved husband for over 55 years of Mary Ann Lucca, who predeceased him in 2002, and devoted father of Diane, Eileen, Denise, Nancy, William, and the late John, who predeceased him in 2004, and loving grandfather of 15 and great-grandfather of four.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dr. Lucca's memory to: The John J. Lucca, DDS Prosthodontics Clinic, payable to "Post-doctoral Prosthodontic Program" and mailed to: Post-doctoral Prosthodontic Program, Attn: Shelby White Division Director, Columbia College of Medicine, 630 West 168th Street, New York, NY 10032. Information and condolences available at www.feeneyfuneralhome.com