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Paul Landovsky, 90, Twice a Refugee: In WWII, Then From Communist Czechoslovakia, Member of Darien Boat Club

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Paul Frank Landovsky passed away, after a long time being bedridden, on Oct. 31 in Darien. He was 90.

Born June 29, 1929, Paul grew up in a family farm in Pist, near Ostrava, Czechoslovakia, the first child of Josef Landovsky and Pavla Kozminova. He had one sister, Jane. Paul is survived by his niece, Paula (George), and her two daughters, Theresa and Jessica.

Throughout his childhood and early adulthood, Paul spent idyllic time with his family in Pist, Czechoslovakia, beloved of all his big family, grandparents Emil and Anna, uncles and aunts.

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His childhood was interrupted with World War II, and the whole family had to move in really dramatic circumstances and find a place to live. They made it, and all members of the family survived the war.

The bad time for the whole family started after that. The communist regime took all their property and the family moved to Prague, where Paul started studies at the Gymnazium Dr.E. Benese.

He worked with his father a while, and he got a job in Geodetic and Cartographic enterprise for a couple of years. He got his degree as an architect. He didn't agree with the Communist regime and he protested against it, later he decided to escape from Czechoslovakia in October 1964.

In early '70s, he met his wife Tillie, and they lived for a couple of years in Kentucky. When they both got jobs in New York they moved to Darien, buying a house where they lived until their last days. During his time in Darien he was a member of Darien Boat Club.

He found himself in the construction industry. He worked for several construction companies in New York City, like Hazyen & Sayer. He traveled all around the world, and he was part of the team of architects.

He frequently traveled to Italy, where he purchased supplies of Carrara marble for many buildings in Manhattan, which were renovated during the 80's. He was a smart and successful businessman with love for his family.

Services will be held in Czech Republic, and he will be interred in the family grave.