James Anthony Colias

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Colias, James Anthony. On Wednesday, November 15, 1989 at Sibley Hospital; beloved husband of Tala Engel Colias; brother of Andrew Colias, Mary Sanders, Aspacia Colias and Sophie Colias; uncle of Steve, Mark, Keith, David, Larry and Alexandria Colias, Alice Byron and Jane Sanders. Friends may call at the Hines/Rinaldi Funeral Home, 11800 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, Md., Sunday 7 to 9 p.m. Services will be held at Sts. Constatine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 4115 16th St. NW, Monday, November 20, t 10 a.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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Democratic Party Activist

James Anthony Colias, 67, a retired criminal investigator in Chicago who was active in the Democratic Party and Greek American organizations, died of cancer Nov. 15 at Sibley Memorial Hospital.

A resident of Chevy Chase since moving to the Washington area in 1986, Mr. Colias was born in Chicago. He studied business administration at the International Technological Institute in Chicago and graduated from Northwestern University. He served in the Army in World War II.

Before moving here, he was an investigator with various Illinois and Chicago agencies. He retired in 1982. He worked in the real estate business in this area.

Mr. Colias was a past vice president of the Hellenic-American Regular Democratic Organization and the Greek-American Voters Educational League and treasurer of the Pan-Arcadian Federation. He was a governor of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association and regional secretary of the nationality committee of the Democratic National Committee.

Mr. Colias also was a licensed pilot.

Survivors include his wife, Tala Engle of Chevy Chase; three sisters, Aspacia and Sophie Colias, both of Chicago, and Mary Sanders of Sarasota, Fla.; and a brother, Andrew Colias of Mishawaka, Ind.