

A SON OF FINLAND

George A. Rudduck (ACAS 1975)

1938-2013

George Rudduck was enamored of all things Finnish, and he was devoted to preserving and celebrating the culture of this small European country of his ancestors.

He was born June 4, 1938, in Grand Rapids, Minnesota, an area of the U.S. in which many Nordic immigrants settled. He died August 8, 2013, in Littleton, Colorado.

A 1961 graduate of the University of Minnesota in Duluth with a degree in mathematics, he served in both the Minnesota and North Carolina Army National Guard.

Rudduck's actuarial career path was witness to the uptick in mergers and acquisitions during the 1980s. From 1976 to 1980, he was vice president and senior actuary for Booke & Company in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He moved to the Denver area in the 1980s, where he began a longtime affiliation with Tillinghast and its many iterations as consulting actuary for Tillinghast, Nelson & Warren Inc. (1981-1986); as vice president, Tillinghast/TPF&C (1987); and consulting actuary, Tillinghast-Towers Perrin (1988-2001). After he retired around 2001 and at least up to 2006, he continued working as contract consultant for Tillinghast-Towers Perrin and Towers Perrin.

From 2003 to 2004, Rudduck served on the CAS Task Force on the ACAS Vote, which was charged with investigating whether current CAS Associates should be allowed to vote and if other differences between CAS Fellows and Associates should exist, including differences in dues and the right to hold officer positions. In 2006 the CAS Fellows voted on proposed changes to the CAS Constitution and Bylaws coming out of the task force. The proposals did not pass.

Rudduck's fascination with his heritage led to his involvement with the Finlandia Foundation of Colorado, an organization devoted to preserving the Finnish culture in the Rocky Mountain region. He and his wife were members of the group for thirty years or more and often volunteered at the registration desk for various functions. Rudduck also served as the group's webmaster and accounting officer. In a memorial tribute, Dan Kamunen of the Finlandia Foundation of Colorado called Rudduck a loyal and faithful servant and thanked for his many years of wisdom, advice and work.

In addition to working as contract consultant, he kept busy during retirement traveling in the U.S. and around the world with his wife. Rudduck was also a member of the Masons, El Jebel Shrine and Royal Order of Jesters.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; children Scott Rudduck of Highlands Ranch, Colorado, and Liisa Mulbrecht of Woodlands, Texas; and five grandchildren; a brother and two sisters.