



James M. Talarico of Moscow, formerly of West Scranton, died Friday 1/21/2011 at the VNA Hospice Unit of Community Medical Center following an illness. Born in Scranton, he was the son of the late James and Helen Olcheski Talarico.

Educated in Scranton schools, he proudly served in the Navy aboard the USS Boston CAG-1 World's 1st Guided Missile Cruiser.

James was president and owner of the Scranton Appraisal Group and was one of Lackawanna County's leading commercial and residential appraisers for more than 30 years. He was also a member of UNICO, Victor Alfieri Club, Greater Scranton Board of Realtors, National Association of Realtors appraisal section, the Society of Real Estate Appraisers, Commercial Investment Real Estate Council, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Real Estate Brokers and the American Legion, and served on the board of the Lackawanna Valley Conservancy.

Surviving are his very special friend, Lynda Newell; three sons, James, Scranton; Alex, Georgia; and Josh, Scranton; seven brothers, Anthony, Tunkhannock; Thomas, Joseph and Francis, all of Scranton; Michael, South Carolina; John, South Canaan; and Paul, Honesdale; two sisters, Helen Thomas, Scranton; and Mary Phipps, North Carolina; several nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by two brothers, Vincent, and infant Dennis.