



## **Coriell Institute Trustee Remembrance – William “Bill” Kalellis Founding Trustee was Trusted Friend of Dr. Lewis Coriell**



Mr. William Kalellis

When William “Bill” Kalellis met Coriell Institute for Medical Research founder Dr. Lewis Coriell in 1948, their friendship sowed the seeds of a legacy that endures beyond their lifetimes. Just as his friend and collaborator, Dr. Lewis Coriell, was devoted to the Institute throughout his life, Mr. Kalellis was an ardent supporter of Coriell for more than 60 years, most recently expressing a passion for its pioneering personalized medicine initiative and its promise of “the gift of good health.”

The last surviving founding member of the Coriell Institute Board of Trustees, Mr. Kalellis completed a five-year term in 1989 as chairman and was named Life Trustee/Distinguished Fellow. Mr. Kalellis was thoroughly involved with Coriell’s financial side, from serving as the co-chair of the original fundraising campaign for the construction of Coriell’s first laboratory, to his role as treasurer beginning in 1969, where he oversaw the Institute’s banking and investment needs.

In addition to the Coriell Institute, many professional and non-profit organizations benefited from the keen business acumen he honed during his career in the financial industry. Mr. Kalellis retired as Senior Vice President and Director of Janney Montgomery Scott, Inc., a financial services firm headquartered in Philadelphia. He was a former member of the board of trustees of Coriell’s neighbor and collaborating partner, Cooper University Hospital, and served on the Finance Committee of the Cooper Foundation. He and his wife, Marilyn, shared a passion for Cooper, which, in addition to being one of the leading hospitals in the

state, also plays a major role in the community – their community. Mr. Kalellis led a full, rich lifetime of commitment to South Jersey, the region in which he built his professional career. Camden County is also the area in which Mr. and Mrs. Kalellis had lived for several decades.



Mr. and Mrs. William Kalellis

Furthering his commitment to the fields of medicine and science, Mr. Kalellis served as Trustee of the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine, where he chaired the Investment Committee before being elected chairman of the board in 1990. He was also a Trustee of the Leukemia Society of Southern New Jersey.

Mr. Kalellis distinguished himself as the founder and first president of the Better Business Bureau of South Jersey. His other professional affiliations included involvement in the Bond Club of Philadelphia and the Camden Rotary Club. He was also Director Emeritus, Covenant Bank; Senior Vice President, Penn Capital Management Company; Chairman, State of NJ Securities Advisory Commission; Member, Board of Governors, Tavistock; President, Sales and Marketing Executives Association; and President, Cosmopolitan Club of Delaware Valley.

William Kalellis passed away peacefully on April 9, 2009, at the age of 92.

At the request of family, in lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Coriell Institute for Medical Research, 403 Haddon Avenue, Camden, NJ 08103; Cooper Foundation for the Edward D. Viner, M.D. Intensive Care Unit, 3 Cooper Plaza, Camden, NJ 08103; or Haddonfield United Methodist Church Friends of Music, 29 Warwick Road, Haddonfield, NJ 08033.