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Inductee # 27

Philip J. Di Nenno

Fire Protection Engineer

Finksburg, Maryland

Born: July 23, 1953

Died: August 18, 2013

Philip J. DiNenno was a 1977 graduate of the University of Maryland Fire Protection Engineering program; while at the university, he was a live-in member of the Chillum-Adelphi Volunteer Fire Department. In later years he served as a part-time instructor at the university.

After working at Benjamin-Clarke Associates and Professional Loss Control, Inc., he joined Hughes Associates in 1985. He eventually became CEO of the company. He was a pioneer in the use of computer fire modeling to understand the growth and effects of fire, and played a significant role in the development of non-ozone-depleting fire suppression technologies.

Philip DiNenno had a long professional history with the NFPA, serving on many technical committees. He received both the Paul C. Lamb Award and the NFPA Standards Medal. He also received the Guise Medal from the Society of Fire Protection Engineers for his leadership in that organization.