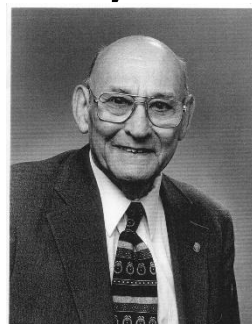


Walter E. Damuck*, FCSI

"In recognition of your lifetime of distinguished and dedicated service to the chapter and region while serving as an officer or as a committee chairman in each of the two chapters you helped found, Hartford and Housatonic, and your timeless influence on the understanding of illumination technology, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on the 24th day of June 2000."
Atlanta, Georgia



WALTER EDWARD DAMUCK was born in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1917. He attended Hamden Hall Country Day School in New Haven. He graduated from Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1939 with a BS in Civil Engineering. He started work as a timekeeper on a large housing project.

In March 1942, Damuck enlisted in the Corps of Engineers, was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, and was assigned to an amphibious brigade. He made four pre-invasion reconnaissance missions at Normandy, six assault landings as an Amphibious Engineer, and flew high speed low altitude bombing missions. He served in North Africa, Sicily, and other European countries, and returned home in November 1944. After the war he commanded an Engineer Construction Battalion, and served as Assistant Commandant of a US Army Intelligence School. He retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Following his active military career, Walt enrolled at Yale, graduated, and was licensed as an architect in 1964.

Damuck promoted construction technology through continuing education at local, state, and national levels. In CSI's formative years, he served on the Education E-2 Committee, chaired by Howard R. Steinman, FCSI. When the Institute Technical Documents Committee, chaired by Tomas R. Hollenbach, needed assistance from chapter technical committees to review and edit specifications, Walter quickly volunteered, then enlisted chapter members to help.

His experience in construction was extensive. He worked as a form carpenter, a mason, a field engineer, Chief of

Specifications for the Connecticut Public Works Department, and as a staff architect for a design-build contractor. He co-founded the firm of Damuck and Painchaud in 1965, and the firm of Damuck and Babbitt in 1967. When he retired in 1989, he was Senior Associate and Director of Building Investigations for Hoffman Architects, a firm with offices in Connecticut, New York City, and Washington, DC.

Damuck also was a forensic architect. His work included projects at the Prudential Tower in Boston, and at the Rockefeller Center in New York.

Walter was an active member of AIA, the American Ambition Association, and the Illuminating Engineering Society, and was a professional member of BOCA. He lectured and conducted seminars on specification writing and construction technologies around the country. Many of his articles were published in such magazines as the Construction Specifier and the Connecticut Architect and Specifier.

In addition to the awards listed below, Damuck received numerous awards from the Hartford, Housatonic, and New Hampshire CSI chapters, and recognition from AIA, the American Arbitration Association, and the Illuminating Engineering Society. He was also a Cub Scout Pack Master, and a member of Elks Lodge #1537 and the DAV.

Walter was advanced to Distinguished Membership at the annual convention in Chicago, 22 April 2005.

Damuck passed away on 2 June 2007 in West Haven, Connecticut.

CSI Membership

Hartford Chapter, 1959

Housatonic Chapter, Founding Member, 1969

Awards

Institute

Certificate of Merit and Appreciation, 1968-1970, 1974, 1982

Certificate of Appreciation, 1973

Northeast Region

Region Director's Citation, 1970

Certificate of Appreciation, 1970, 1971, 1979, 1995

Region Director's Certificate, 1982, 1984

Citation for Service, 1996, 1998

Distinguished Service Award, 1993

Walter E. Damuck Award, 1993

Housatonic Chapter

President's Award, 1990

Walter E. Damuck Award, 1993