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September 14, 2010 -- *Fountain Valley, CA* -- On September 8, 2010, the aerospace lighting community lost a friend, mentor, and pioneer, with the passing of Mr. George W. Godfrey of Clearwater, FL. Godfrey was the visionary, founder and Executive Director of the Aerospace Lighting Institute (ALI) for over 37 years. In 2009, Godfrey and his wife, and business partner, retired and sold the organization to WAMCO, Inc. a supplier of lighting solutions to the aerospace market.

Greg Matthews, ALI Executive Director said of the news, "George was an institution and a wealth of knowledge that the industry may never see again. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Jeanette and his son Tim, who we have all come to know and love over the many years George was associated with ALI."

Godfrey's background and experience in the aerospace lighting industry was far reaching and well known. He joined North American Rockwell as a designer and served in many managerial positions for 27 years. In 1970, he formed Godfrey Engineering and served as President and CEO of the company, which grew into a multi-million dollar company which he sold 20 years later to Goodrich Corporation. He was associated with SAE for 57 years and served as the Chairman of the A20A Lighting Committee for 40 years.

Godfrey was not only an engineer and businessman but an enduring and dedicated teacher of his trade. During his career, he authored four technical manuals that were distributed nationally and internationally; Night Vision Goggle Compatible Aircraft Lighting, Air Vehicle Exterior Lighting, Principles of Display Illumination Techniques for Aerospace Vehicle Crew Stations and Fundamentals of Light, Color, and Photometry for Aerospace Vehicles. These books on aircraft lighting are still available today through the Aerospace Lighting Institute and have provided guidance and instruction to hundreds of aerospace engineers and other professionals.

Godfrey presented over 40 technical papers dealing with aerospace vehicles and has given speeches before many technical, civic, and business organizations around the world. In addition to his many awards from these organizations, as well as government agencies, his technical paper presented in October 1992, at the Illumination Engineering Society International Conference in London received the Best Technical Paper award.

Godfrey was 87 years young and passed away suddenly on September 8, 2010. He was married to his wife Jeanette of 35 years and had four children: Kathy, Tim, Jeanene, and Ron, and three grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, George's wishes were to make a donation in his memory to his Masonic Lodge. Reynoldsburg Masonic Lodge, #340 F&AM, Attn: Mr. Buck Boyd, P.O. Box 624, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068. For more information, please visit www.sylvanabbey.com.

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About ALI:

ALI attracts a variety of professionals from the government, commercial airlines, US military, lighting experts, and industry innovators. ALI provides two seminars annually that attract diverse, experienced industry speakers and audiences who benefit from the educational environment and business networking opportunities. ALI was founded by Mr. George Godfrey in 1971 to promote and educate the aerospace lighting industry. After nearly 40 years, Mr. Godfrey retired in 2009 when WAMCO INC acquired ALI with the intent to continue developing and fostering the growth of ALI into a stronger network of educational seminars and networking opportunities. For more information and learn more about future seminars, go to www.aerospacelightinginstitute.com . ALI can also be found on FACEBOOK and LINKED IN.