

Nicholas “Nick” J. Thee Jr.

COOPERSBURG, PA — Nicholas “Nick” J. Thee Jr., 70, of Coopersburg, passed away suddenly on April 5, 2026.

He is survived by his loving wife, Erika Thee, and his daughters, Kristen and Nikki, along with their families.

Nick enjoyed a distinguished career with The Phoenix Forge Group. He began as Chief Accountant with the Marmon Group on March 1, 1980. After the acquisition by Phoenix Forging Company in October 1985, he continued his dedicated service. In 1991, he was appointed Treasurer of Phoenix Forging Company and later served as Chief Financial Officer of The Phoenix Forge Group until the time of his passing.

Nick played a pivotal role in the company’s remarkable growth, helping expand The Phoenix Forge Group from two companies in 1985 to six thriving companies today. He navigated challenges with calm determination and developed innovative solutions that strengthened operations and improved efficiency across the organization.

Respected by colleagues at every level — from hourly shop floor personnel to senior management — Nick was known for his warm, approachable presence. He greeted everyone with a genuine smile and a firm handshake, making all feel valued and welcome.

His passing leaves a profound void in the lives of his family and all those who had the privilege of knowing and working with him. We will all miss Nick’s leadership, integrity, and kindness.

With deepest sympathy,

The employees of The Phoenix Forge Group and its member companies