



## John A. "Jack" Krol

October 16, 1936 - October 31, 2025

John A. "Jack" Krol, former chairman and CEO of DuPont, passed away on October 31, 2025, in Bonita Springs, Florida, at the age of 89.

Born in Ware, Massachusetts, Jack attended Tufts University on a Naval ROTC scholarship, earning both his bachelor's and master's degrees in chemistry. He served under Admiral Hyman Rickover in the U.S. Navy, contributing to the development of the Navy's nuclear fleet.

He later began his 35-year career with DuPont as a chemist and rose through the ranks to become chairman and CEO in 1995.

Jack served on several corporate boards, including Tyco International, Delphi Automotive, JPMorgan, and Bechtel, and was a trustee of both Tufts University and the University of Delaware. Dedicated to education and community service, he chaired the United Way of Delaware and the Governor's Initiative for Education Reform, helping to advance Delaware's charter school system. He supported Catholic Charities, the Ministry of Caring, and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware. He also served as president of the National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering and Science and as chair of the Business Roundtable's Education Initiative.

Passionate about finding a cure for a disease close to his heart, Jack dedicated countless hours to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, specifically CureLGMD2i—raising funds, collaborating with doctors and advocates worldwide, and never giving up hope.

Jack received numerous honors, including Corporate Director of the Year, the Henry Ford III Business Leadership Award, the Delaware Governor's Award for Community Service, and induction into the Delaware Business Hall of Fame.

An avid golfer, Jack took pride in having played the top 100 courses in the U.S. Above all, he cherished his family—spending time together boating, traveling, and making memories wherever they went. He lived life to the fullest and never met a person he didn't like. He brought out the best in everyone around him and never forgot a name.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Janet; daughters Cindy Miller (Justin) and Debbie Trerotola (Dave); grandchildren Tyler (Laura) and Connor Trerotola, Kyra (Mac) Donahue and Braden Miller; brother Bob Krol (Nora); sister Marion Feasel (Harry); brother-in-law Wesley Briand; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Alphonse and Mildred Krol; in-laws Gordon and Ruth Valley; and sisters-in-law Janice Boissy, Connie Briand and brother, Chet Krol.

A life well-lived, a soul well-loved, now at rest with the Lord.

Private services.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the CureLGMD2i <http://curelgmd2i.com/donations>

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I just learned of Jack's passing and wanted to share thoughts with the family, My name is Don Palmatary and I worked along side of Jack when he was CEO of DuPont. He and his family were always a pleasure to be around. I offer my most sincere condolences to Jan and the rest of this wonderful family. He will be forever missed! Knowing him, he will stay busy in Heaven as well. Rest in Peace Jack, Pops

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**Donald Palmatary sr** - November 14, 2025 at 12:28 PM

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“ On behalf of everyone at Aptiv, today we take a moment to remember Jack Krol. Jack was a respected leader whose contributions shaped the foundation of our company. He leaves behind a legacy defined by integrity, impact, and quiet strength. Jack’s career was rooted in service and a deep sense of purpose. After graduating from Tufts he served in the U.S. Navy — an experience that shaped his disciplined approach and principled leadership style. Those of us who worked alongside him saw those qualities in every conversation and every decision he made. His influence was as much about how he led as it was about the outcomes he helped create.

*Jack joined the Delphi Board of Directors during a critical period in the company’s history. He played an important role in both the pre- and post-IPO chapters of the company, setting the foundation of innovation that positioned Delphi to successfully transition into Aptiv.*

*Jack brought a thoughtful and steady voice to complex situations. He was deeply respected as a leader who valued the people he worked with as much as the progress he helped drive. His passion for our company and belief in what it could become still motivates our employees today.*

*We are grateful for Jack’s leadership and the lasting impact he had on all of us at Aptiv. He will be remembered with deep respect and appreciation by all of us.*

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**All of us at Aptiv** - November 06, 2025 at 08:07 AM

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“ I first met John in 1999 although had heard about him long before that. I had a good fortune of working with him at Tyco and Delphi boards as a colleague and he was a true mentor to whom I owe a great deal. Above all he was a wonderful person, an amazing friend and great company. Both Kamla and I are blessed to have known him and Jan. Our heartfelt prayers are with the Krol family. May his soul rest in peace....Kamla and Raj Gupta

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**Raj Gupta** - November 04, 2025 at 10:04 AM

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“ I could not have been happier through friends to get Jack onto a Colorado and Arizona golf course to help him complete his 100 that he wanted to play. He returned with nice golf shirts as a present and told me the saddest story of how he missed out membership to Augusta because his sponsor had passed away without his knowledge. Jack said he learned about it about two years later and decided not to pursue it. That was Jack. One of the nicest persons I have ever met. RIP Jack and best to his family who were lucky and privileged to have had him through thick and thin. I will always remember Jack at his best. Charlie Broll

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**Charles (Charlie) Broll** - November 04, 2025 at 07:00 AM

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“ I worked for Jack when he was vice chairman at Du Pont and always thought he was one of the nicest people I ever worked for in my career. I send my condolences to his family.

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**mitzi lockhart** - November 03, 2025 at 01:12 PM