

Dr. Paul A. Lachance (1933-2017)

Dr. Paul A. Lachance, the scientist responsible for the research and development of aerospace flight food and astronaut nutrition at the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center (Houston, TX) and an internationally recognized professor at Rutgers University died of Parkinsonism in the McCarrick Care Center in Somerset, N.J. He was 83.



Dr. Lachance was recruited to teach at Cook College at Rutgers University where he completed groundbreaking and memorable work for over 40 years. Lachance was the Founding and Emeritus Director of the Nutraceuticals and Functional Foods Institute of the Center for Advanced Food Technology. He was Professor Emeritus of Food Science at Rutgers University since 2005. He served as Chair of the Department of Food Science, Director of the Graduate Program in Food Science, Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees and Board of Governors, and was Chairman of the University Senate. He was most proud being an award-winning teacher and of his many Ph.D. and Master's Degree students.

Dr. Lachance is survived by his wife of 61 years, Therese C. Lachance, four children and nine grandchildren.

For a full listing of Dr. Lachance's education, research, accomplishments, honors and awards, please see the complete obituary here: [Lachance Obituary](#)