

## Obituary

The Editors and Publisher have heard with regret of the death of Professor Heinz Heinemann. The following is taken from an appreciation of his long and distinguished career circulated by the University of California, Berkeley, where Heinz still held a position. We all knew Heinz from his continued attendance at meetings on catalysis, the last probably having been the North American Catalysis Society meeting in Philadelphia last May. The photograph shows him at that meeting chatting to Professors Hans Schulz and Burt Davis.



Berkeley—Heinz Heinemann, a long-time lecturer in the College of Chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley,

and a chemistry researcher at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL), died November 23 of pneumonia at Sibley Hospital in Washington, DC. He was 92.

During a 60-year career in industry and academia, Heinemann contributed to the invention and development of 14 commercial fossil fuel processes, received 75 patents and was the author of more than 150 publications.

Among his inventions was a process for converting methanol to gasoline.

At his death, he was a distinguished scientist in the Washington office of LBNL. During the period 2001–2004, he served as a manager of the Chemical Society of Washington, a local section of the American Chemical Society, and as president of the organization's Retired Chemists Group.

He received many honors, among them election to the National Academy of Engineering, the Houdry Award of the Catalysis Society, the Murphree Award of the American Chemical Society, the H.H. Lowry Award presented for research he pursued in his 70s, and a Distinguished Scientist/Engineer award from the U.S. Department of Energy. In addition, he was elected a member of the Spanish Council for Scientific Research for his support in founding its Institute of Catalysis and Petroleum Chemistry.

We wish to express our sympathy to Professor Heinemann's family and friends.