



Graco Saddened by the Passing of Board Member William G. Van Dyke

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MINNEAPOLIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sep. 7, 2014-- Graco Inc. (NYSE:GGG), a leading manufacturer of fluid handling equipment, recently learned that William G. Van Dyke has passed away. Mr. Van Dyke was a current member of the company's Board of Directors.

"Bill Van Dyke was a great friend, a mentor, and an invaluable member of our Board of Directors," said Patrick J. McHale, President and CEO. "He helped shape Graco's strategic vision and served with distinction on numerous other Boards in the Twin Cities. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Jodi, his family, and his many friends. Bill was passionate about making Minnesota's business community one of the most admired in the country. He will be missed by us all."

ABOUT GRACO

Graco Inc. supplies technology and expertise for the management of fluids and coatings in both industrial and commercial applications. It designs, manufactures and markets systems and equipment to move, measure, control, dispense, and spray fluid and powder materials. A recognized leader in its specialties, Minneapolis-based Graco serves customers around the world in the manufacturing, processing, construction, and maintenance industries. For additional information about Graco Inc., please visit us at www.graco.com or on Twitter @GracoInc.

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