Professor Edwin Michael ‘Mike’ Foster passed away at the age of 96 on February 11, 2013. Mike was a giant in the field of food safety. Through his efforts the Food Research Institute moved to the University of Wisconsin in 1966. The FRI family is privileged to have worked under his leadership as Director (1966–1986) and is indebted to his service to our Institute, the UW–Madison, and the food industry. Mike left a wonderful legacy that will not be forgotten.

**Program**

1:30 pm   Guests arrive. Refreshments and a guest book will be available

2:30 pm   **Welcome and Introductions**
Dorothy Traisman, Friend of FRI
Robert Spitzer, President Emeritus MSOE; Director and Senior Mentor, Kikkoman Foods

**Speakers**

Eric Johnson
   Professor, Bacteriology

Bill Sperber
   Director of Microbiology & Food Safety, the Pillsbury Company (retired)

Mick Neshek (statement to be read by Robert Spitzer)
   Special Consultant to Kikkoman Corporation, Japan
   Member, Board of Directors and General Counsel, Kikkoman Foods

Mike Pariza
   Director Emeritus, Food Research Institute; Professor Emeritus, Food Science

Bob Deibel
   Professor Emeritus, Bacteriology

Richard Gourse
   Professor and Chair, Bacteriology

Chuck Czuprynski
   Director, Food Research Institute; Professor, Pathobiological Sciences

**Open mic** for comments, remembrances, thoughts, and stories from the attendees.

3:30 pm   Program concludes

4:00 pm   Event concludes