



## Mr. Harold H. Brown

March 14, 1926 - May 16, 2021

Harold H. Brown passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, May 16, 2021, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on March 14, 1926 in Portsmouth, NH. He graduated from Rutland (MA) High School in 1943.

After high school, Harold enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served during WWII. He was honorably discharged on April 10, 1946.

Harold attended Worcester Junior College for a year before transferring to Marietta College in Ohio, where he graduated with his Bachelor's degree in 1950. He earned his PhD from Wayne State University; his doctoral dissertation, "The effect of oral and parenteral ethylene-diaminetetraacetic acid on rabbits fed on a high cholesterol diet," was published in 1954. He was a contributor to various chemistry journals and presented papers at the American Association of Clinical Chemists, of which he was a member for over 70 years.

Dr. Brown worked as a chemist at Albany Medical Center; Memorial Hospital in Pawtucket, RI; Harrisburg Polyclinic Hospital in Harrisburg, PA; and St. Luke's Hospital. He retired from Albany Medical Center in 1988, where he was Director of Clinical Chemistry.

Harold was a man of science who also loved poetry, American history, and ballroom dancing with his wife Lois at So-Ed and Strictly Ballroom Dancing. They traveled to many states, where they would always visit the state capitol. Harold enjoyed woodworking and tinkering with clocks. In retirement, he

volunteered for the RE-SEED program, bringing science to elementary and middle school children and was a judge in IEEE science writing competitions.

He volunteered on the Lenox Zoning Board of Appeals for several years.

Harold is predeceased by his wife of 63 years, Lois H. Brown; his parents, Charles L. and Doris Sugden Brown; and his brother, Robert W. Brown.

He is survived by his daughters: Laurel (John) Nolet of Chester, MA; Nancy Holzner of Ithaca, NY; and Paula (Rob) Kennedy of Kissimmee, FL. He also

leaves four grandchildren: Nate (Julie) Nolet, Jessi Meagher, Tamsen (Sean Ryan) Conner, and Tricia Kennedy, and five great-grandchildren: Michael,

Laurel, Gabriel, Everleigh, and Imogen. Surviving siblings include Kay Cunningham, Ronald Brown, and Howard Brown. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

There will be no calling hours. A private graveside service and celebration of life will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Ventfort Hall, 104 Walker Street, Lenox, MA 01240, where Harold volunteered as a docent for many years.

# Tribute Wall



Gail  
Kusek

“ I worked at Ventfort Hall. Your parents were incredibly kind to me. I will always remember them fondly.

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**Gail Kusek** - May 26, 2021 at 02:36 PM



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“ Dear Harold, May he enjoy a reunion with Lois and may the family recall the many fond memories and loving care he gave to all. We enjoyed he and Lois friendship over the years. Love, Peace and Prayers.

*Agnes and Bernie Majewski*

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**Agnes and Bernard Majewski** - May 21, 2021 at 06:06 PM



CJ

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Lois and Harold Brown, as a volunteer at the Ventfort Hall, Museum of the Gilded Age, in Lenox, Massachusetts.

*Lois and I would help preside over the weekly high teas, she being the “ silver service pourer extraordinaire “! I just delivered the tea sandwiches and sweets.*

*Harold was very adept at giving wonderfully, interesting guided tours at the museum. More than once I followed him and his group around the hall, and I always learned some new and interesting bits of history.*

*They were a grand couple ....I feel my life was richer for having known them both.*

*Christine Jordan*

*Lenox*

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**Christine Jordan** - May 21, 2021 at 12:59 PM

WG

“ I knew Harold Brown and his wife Lois from the Rip Van Winkle clock group, meeting in Burnt Hills, NY every Monday nite which they both were sure to attend faithfully, rain or shine, regardless of the weather condition or temperature fluctuations. He exuded a quiet warmth and gentleness and I am deeply saddened by his passing.

Wanda Giordano

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Wanda Giordano - May 21, 2021 at 10:53 AM

PE

“ Harold Brown was a charter member of the Monday Nite Clock Club in Burnt Hills, NY and a longtime member and past officer of the Rip Van Winkle Chapter 40 of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors. Harold and Lois never missed a meeting. Harold was an expert on antique American clocks and freely shared his knowledge with us. He brought the most interesting clocks to our auctions and marts. For years Harold made a weekly trip to help John Kocsis build clocks in Clifton Park. Harold was a modest man and soft spoken, no doubt influenced by a household of very intelligent women. He was a kind man, and had a subtle sense of humor. I was honored to be his friend.

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Peter Elmendorf - May 21, 2021 at 10:00 AM