



James A. Brown

December 24, 1926 - June 10, 2024

James A. Brown, age 97, died in his home on Monday, June 10, 2024, after a brief illness. Jim was born December 24, 1926, in St. Louis, Missouri, to Bernice (Wilson) and James A. Brown Sr. He graduated from Washington University in St. Louis in 1950, with a degree in Electrical Engineering having been elected to two honorary societies: Pi Mu Epsilon (Mathematics) and Tau Beta Pi (Engineering). He was also a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity. He served in the Army Air Force for two years during World War II and saw duty with USSTAF in France and Germany.

On April 17, 1953, he married Betty Belknap, a marriage that lasted 71 years and produced two offspring: Douglas J. Brown of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Constance 'Connie' Huddleston of Norman. His 45-year career in industry and management consulting led them to assignments in Kansas City, Davenport, IA, Indianapolis, IN, Cleveland, OH, Trumbull, CT, and twice with stops in Pittsburgh, PA, and Norman, OK. He retired from Westinghouse Electric Corp. in 1992. Jim considered himself fortunate to have had the opportunity to travel extensively in our country and throughout the world during his career.

After retirement, he began work on a Masters Degree in Liberal Studies at Pittsburgh's Duquesne University. After moving back to Norman in 1996, he completed his work for that degree at the University of Oklahoma.

Jim enjoyed sports, history, politics, and lively conversations. For a number of years, he was an enthusiastic private pilot.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; and his sister, Dorothy Lakan of Punta Gorda, Florida. He is survived by his wife Betty of the home; his son, Douglas Brown of Las Vegas, NV; his daughter, Constance Huddleston of Norman, OK; his grandson, Alex J. Lohmann of Portland, OR; and his niece, Diane Gudmundsen of Punta Gorda, FL.

Jim will be buried in in St. Louis, MO. A Memorial Service will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Norman at a later date.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to First Presbyterian Church, 555 S. University Blvd, Norman, OK 73069.

Cemetery Details

Bellerive Gardens Cemetery

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