



Dr. James Allen Brown

December 8, 1943 - May 23, 2025

Dr. James Allen Brown, 81, husband of Marie Elaine Brown, of Greer, South Carolina, passed away May 23, 2025.

A native of Madera, California, he was a son of the late James Brown and Myrtle Annie Reddock Brown. Dr. Brown was a graduate of Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois, where he received a B.A. and was a departmental assistant. He earned his M.A. in International Affairs at George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in 1967, and also taught at the School of Public And International Affairs there. He was awarded a Ph.D. by the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia. Additionally, he was a graduate instructor at the University of Virginia for one year before joining the Cedar Crest College, Allentown, Pennsylvania, faculty in 1970. Dr. Brown ultimately retired after 30 years of service as Department Head of Distance Education and Continuing Education Summer Sessions at Lehigh University.

Surviving in addition to his wife are, two sons, Jeffery Brown, of Upstate, New York, and Donald Brown (Kristin) of Tampa, Florida; a daughter Catherine Brown Riegel (John) of Reading, Pennsylvania; three grandchildren, Caroline Riegel, Maeve Brown, Steven Patrick Brown and loving former daughter-in-law, Adeena Brown.

He was predeceased by his brother, Donald Brown.

The family wishes to extend their special acknowledgement of gratitude to his caregiver, Debra Davis and her husband, Steve.

The family is at their respective homes.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Tribute Wall

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“ To Marie, my dear friend and mentor: I met Mr. James Brown about 10 years ago when his wife became my friend. Jim was quiet, observant and helpful. He was also very funny, but you had to pay attention or you would miss his dry humor. During the pandemic 2020, Jim and Marie came to my socially- distanced outdoor birthday party. That meant so much to me.

I had the privilege of caring for Mr. Brown during his fight with dementia. While Marie went to Bible study and pottery on Thursdays, Jim taught me about WWII tanks, helped me care for the household pets and constantly told me how much he loves his wife, Marie. He was a gentle man.

Love, Liz

Liz Harvey - June 04, 2025 at 09:29 AM

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“ Marie, our sincerest condolences at this time. We know that he was the love of your life, and nothing and nobody can replace him. Try to be strong for you, for him, and your family. Love, Don, Kristin, and Steven.

Donald Brown - May 26, 2025 at 01:07 PM