



Herbert "Herby" Brooks

August 21, 1924 - December 5, 2011

Herbert "Herby" Brooks, 87, of Overland Park, KS, passed away Monday, December 5, 2011 at Menorah Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 2:30pm Wednesday, December 7, at The Louis Memorial Chapel, 6830 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64131 with burial to follow at Kehilath Israel Blue Ridge Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family suggests contributions to Beth Shalom Synagogue, Jewish Family Services, American Lung Association or a charity of one's choice. Herby was a self-employed home improvement contractor throughout most of his life. He was born in Cleveland, OH and after volunteering for military service in the Marines during WWII, where he was a member of Nu Sigma, he moved to Kansas City to be with his family. In 1947 he met his future wife,

Helen Horowitz, and they were married in 1949. Herby was a member of Congregation Beth Shalom, the ROMEO's and he was an avid golfer and tennis player. He enjoyed being active in all kinds of sports. Also, he is considered by his family to be a self-made man who was very dependable and self-reliant. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son: Michael Brooks, in 2005; sister: Evelyn Kirschenbaum and a brother-in-law: Irwin Kotelov. Herby is survived by his wife of 62 years, Helen Brooks; son: Joel Brooks, Kansas City, MO; daughter and son-in-law: Ellen and Nigel Taylor, St. Louis, MO; sister-in-law: Sylvia Kotelov and by many loving cousins, nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly. The family wishes to thank the wonderful staff at Lamar Court and the doctor's (especially Dr. Donald Cohen) and nurses at Menorah Medical Center for their many acts of kindness. Herby will be missed by his family and many friends.

Comments



“ Helen, We have been out of town since the third, and just returned last night. We were so sorry to hear about Herby. We wanted to let you know that we are thinking of you and our prayers are with you.

Jerry & Susie

Jerry & Susie Klinock - December 14, 2011 at 02:40 PM



“ We were so sorry to hear about the loss of your dear husband and father. Rose Levine and Brian and Terri Jacobs

Rose Levine and Brian and Terri Jacobs - December 11, 2011 at 09:25 AM



“ I always enjoyed seeing Herby and sharing the same first name. He was great to be around and very gifted athlete. Shalom

Herbert Simon - December 09, 2011 at 01:35 PM



“ So sorry to learn of your husband's passing. I didn't know him personally, however, I think my mom & dad (Helen & Maynard Cohen) were friends. Our condolences to you and your family

Gayle (Cohen) & David Shechter - December 09, 2011 at 10:23 AM



“ Dear Helen~
My Dad was Jim Higgins and he always spoke kindly of Herby and often wondered how you all were doing. Dad passed away suddenly on 8/31/11. Please know that are condolences are with you and your family.
Warmest Regards,
Maureen Higgins Mahr

Maureen Higgins Mahr - December 08, 2011 at 09:54 AM



“Helen, I'm so sorry to see that Herb passed away. He was a special man - always with a smile on his face - and the ability to put a smile on your face. I hope his amazing memories will help you through this sad time. My best always.

Marian Shear - December 07, 2011 at 12:39 PM



“I've known Herby for 50 years or more. He was always up always funny and just fun to be around.
Rest in peace

Allan Simon - December 07, 2011 at 10:09 AM



“I HOPE YOUR MEMORIES OF HERBY WILL HELP YOU THRU THIS DIFFICULT TIME STAY STRONG THE BROOKS FAMILY AND THE KOTELOV FAMILY

LOVE CORRINE

CORRINE GERSON - December 07, 2011 at 08:45 AM



“Helen, Joel and Meri Ellen my deepest condolences on your loss. Although it has been a number of years since I have seen any of you, my memories of Herbie go all the way back to when Joel and I were in school together, I especially remember all the times Joel and I (although it was never really proven got into trouble) and then we had to try and explain ourselves to Herbie and why we were blamed for everyone elses mistakes and boy what a man not to face. Between him and my father and our MOTHERS we were pawns so to speak, but again since we did take the punishment myaybe not like men but by the bottom we made it to manhood, a little sore but we made it. But again I wish to convey for my full family my sincere and deepest condolences on this loss.

David Summers - December 07, 2011 at 08:02 AM



“Herbie was the real McCoy... great guy will be missed by all his friends..

larry haith - December 06, 2011 at 08:44 PM



“ Dear family of Herb brooks,I was very sorry to hear of Herbs passing.I have known and sold roofing supplies to Herb for many years, he always brought a smile to my face everytime we spoke.He will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time of great loss. sincerely,
Justin Cutshaw

JUSTIN CUTSHAW - December 06, 2011 at 05:42 PM



“ Dear Helen,
My thoughts will be with you tomorrow,however I will not be able to attend Herby's funeral. I have an appointment to have tooth's root amputated.
I pray the trauma of recent days soon fades leaving only beautiful memories. In sincere sympathy,
Patsy (Dunn) Shanberg)

patsy dunn shanberg - December 06, 2011 at 04:49 PM



“ Dear Jerry and Family,
We are so sorry to hear of your father's passing. We are thinking of you with heartfelt symapthy. Sincerely, Heather & Scott

Heather Shachtman - December 06, 2011 at 03:09 PM