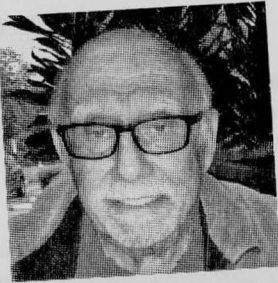


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BERNSTEIN, STANLEY

was born on January 13, 1924, the son of Rose (Lipsky) Bernstein and Joseph Bernstein (Russian immigrant). He was reunited with his beloved parents and brother Allan on December 6, 2017.

Stanley was a decorated World 2 Army veteran who fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He received a business degree from Bryant College in Smithfield, Rhode Island.

His rich, respected, and impactful professional career was noteworthy, not only by his significant contributions to the revitalization and revival of downtown Providence, but also by his integrity. His service was recognized by proclamations of honor from three different mayors (Doorley, Cianci, Paolino), as well as numerous governors and other local and state officials. He was a modest man, and did not speak about his accomplishments. However, he simply had earned the respect of everyone with proof that old-fashioned hard work, dedication, and the highest degree of ethical professionalism can get the job done to enact positive change.

Bernstein served proudly for 36 years at the Providence Redevelopment Agency with his last 11 years as its Executive Director. He quickly rose through the ranks there from accountant to office manager in 1950 to Deputy Director of the Department of Planning and Urban Development and Secretary of the Providence Redevelopment Agency in 1967. In 1975, he was appointed Executive Director of the PRA as well as Director of the Department of Planning and Urban Development. He was also Director of the City Plan Commission, General Manager of the Providence Off- Street Parking Authority, and Executive Director of the Capital Center Commission (1986- 1994).

Largely due to his efforts, downtown Providence was transformed from a virtual ghost town to a thriving economic metropolis. He was Executive Director of the largest development project ever undertaken in Rhode Island, which transformed over 80 designed acres of downtown Providence. Bernstein was responsible for relocating 2 rivers with plans for the Riverwalk, renovating the old train station complex, and constructing a new Amtrak station including retail and restaurants. He made possible the Providence Place Mall, which was the first major shopping mall in the downtown area, as well ushering in major hotels, office and residential buildings, along with a state of the art parking garage.

Bernstein also served over 5 years as an adjunct instructor of Urban studies at Brown University, as well as on the Chamber of Commerce's Economic Development Council.

After 45 years of public service, Bernstein semi-retired to Brevard County Florida in 1994 where he was the President of the Suntree Master Association. Even as late as several months ago, well into his 90's, Stan continued actively assisting with his wife's long-term care management business, while also finding time for family and friends. He enjoyed his favorite weekly bowling group, along with its dinner outings. Stanley had the unique gift of raising everyone's spirit around him with a positive attitude. His example will be so missed by the many he touched and influenced. Through his last days, he was truly the Superman that everyone revered.

Stanley Bernstein is survived by his adored wife Catherine, his son Gary, his daughter Amy, his stepson Matthew, and five beloved grandchildren, Joshua, Ryan, Jessica, MacKenzie and Jack, and the new light of his life, great-granddaughter Rose.

There will be a Celebration of Life ceremony in Melbourne, Florida on January 13, 2018, which would have been his 94th birthday

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