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BROWN, BETTE

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BROWN, BETTE LIPKIN, age 85, formerly of Providence, Rhode Island and West Palm Beach, Florida, passed away peacefully on July 19, 2010, at the Newton and Wellesley Alzheimer Center in Wellesley, MA. She will be dearly missed by her family and her many friends.



She was the beloved wife of the late Howard G.

Brown. She was the daughter of the late Cecile (Gordon) and Edward H.

Lipkin. She was born in Boston and raised in Newton where she graduated high school. Bette was a proud 1946 graduate of Pembroke College, now Brown University.

Throughout her life she remained an active and devoted Brown University Alumna. She is currently a Trustee Emeritus. She and her late husband were instrumental in the establishment of the Brown University Club of Palm Beach County. She was a past member of the Brown University Development Council and past Chairman of the Brown University Pops Concert. She loved interviewing prospective Brown University students.

Bette led an active volunteer life and over the years sat on the Boards of Planned Parenthood, Rhode Island Philharmonic, Temple Beth-El Sisterhood and the YWCA. For several years she was chairman of the Philharmonic Children's Concerts. She was past area /Chairman of the United Fund Campaign, member of the United Fund Budget Committee and Financial Secretary of the Miriam Hospital Women's Association. She was a docent at Rhode Island School of Design and transcribed text books into Braille. Bette enjoyed playing duplicate bridge and was an avid golfer, but was happiest on the tennis court with her unique left-handed backhand.

She is survived by her children Jeffrey A. Brown and his wife Barbara of East Greenwich, RI and her daughter Cathy E. Brown of Brookline, MA. She leaves three grandchildren; Seth, Grant and Halee. She was the sister of Alton G. Lipkin and the late H.