

EINSTEIN, HARRY

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 **EINSTEIN, HARRY, P.E.**, 87, of Kingston, RI, formerly of Springfield, NJ and New Brunswick, NJ, passed away peacefully Monday evening with his family at his side at South County Hospital, in Wakefield, Rhode Island. Born in New Brunswick, NJ, Harry was always interested in airplanes, even as a young boy. At age 10, he constructed a 10-foot-long mock-up of a fighter plane. As a teenager, he worked on motor designs for model aircraft and competed in competitions around New Jersey. He earned his first pilot's license at the age of 18.

Mr. Einstein attended the Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech), majoring in mechanical engineering. While at Georgia Tech he was a member of the cross-country team and ROTC. Upon graduation in 1942, Harry entered the U.S. Army Air Corps in the Anti Aircraft Artillery Division. Soon after, he joined the Army Air Corps 44th Troop Carrier Division (responsible for transporting paratroopers from the 101st Airborne), and was immediately sent to the European Front. Mr. Einstein, soon a captain, served as both a pilot and an engineering officer, and was the captain of his squad of glider pilots.

During the course of his service, Harry was engaged in most of the major battles in Europe, including Rome-Arno, S. France, Normandy, N. France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe. He received numerous medals and citations, including Air Medals, Distinguished Unit Badge, 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to Air Medal, and European, African and Middle Eastern Service medals.

Honorably discharged after the US victory in Europe, Mr. Einstein returned home and married Beatrice Pincus in 1945. He worked for General Instrument Corp.