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89, passed away peacefully with his loving family at his side. He was the beloved husband of Lois (Jagolinzer) Fain, brother of the late Robert Fain, and the devoted son of the late Florence and Harry Fain. Born in Providence, he died May 31st.

Burt graduated from Brown University class of 1947 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He interrupted his college education to serve in the Army Air Corps during WWII. After serving as vice president of Walco Electric Company for 20 years, he established his own company, Burton Industries, a manufacturer of electronic motors, drives and controls. As president, Burt expanded business internationally and oversaw plants in Rhode Island, Connecticut and North Carolina. The company designed and built the motor drive system for a new steel rolling mill in China, which at the time was the fastest in the world. After selling Burton Industries, Burt worked in sales and consulting at Safe-Way Electric Motor Company until recently. Many former employees have expressed appreciation for Burt's encouragement and mentoring, helping them to establish their own successful businesses.

Burt was a past president of the
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