



Samuel Smullin

September 29, 1924 - April 30, 2016

Samuel Smullin of Sarasota, FL peacefully passed on April 30, 2016 at the age of 91. Sam was born in Chelsea, Massachusetts to Ukrainian Jewish immigrants Louis Smullin and Gittle (Yampolsky). He was the brother to the late Bernard Smullin. Sam grew up during the Great Depression and served in the Pacific during World War II. His unit, the 3rd Engineer Special Brigade of the 543rd EB&SR, made amphibious landings across New Guinea and was involved in the battle of Luzon. After the war he studied at Boston University and in 1947 moved to Lewiston, Maine where he served as the President of Benson and Sullivan Co, a wholesale distributor, and co-founded the Value House, a wholesale catalogue and showroom business.

In 1967 Sam moved to Boston and soon after married his beloved wife Polly (McAlister). He entered into real estate with his brother Ben and also served as Executive Vice President at Data Realty where he was actively involved in several major condominium conversions in the Boston area. In the early 1970s, Sam and his brother formed Forbes Real Estate Company, which focused on the development and management of multi-family apartments. In the late 1970s, he and Ben transferred the business to the west coast of Florida and greatly expanded the business to include many commercial real estate properties.

Sam is widely respected by family and friends for his kindness, strong

character, and love and devotion. He is survived by his beloved wife of 48 years Polly, his children Robert Smullin, Leslie Smullin Bourne, and Sheila Lipham, his grandchildren Isaac Smullin Johnson, Jacob Smullin Johnson, Jessica Papineau, Chelsea Lipham, Jessica Lipham, and Kelly Hayes, and his six great grandchildren.

Memorial donations may be sent to:

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