



FORMER LONGTIME CO-OWNER OF BREWITT FUNERAL SERVICE, INC.

Exeter, NH

Carl Walker Brewitt, 85, died February 3, 2009 at Colonial Poplin Nursing Home in Fremont, NH after a courageous battle with Alzheimer's Disease. He was born April 5, 1923 in Epping, NH, son of the late Thomas and Elva (Stiles) Brewitt.

Carl grew up and lived in the original Brewitt Funeral Home in Epping, NH. He graduated and was Class President at Exeter High School, Class of 1941. He attended the University of NH and was a graduate of Maine Maritime Academy. In October of 1943, Carl enlisted into the US Navy, and served as a navigator on board the USS Muliphen, AKA-61 in the Western Pacific during WWII. Carl resided in Exeter, NH from 1936-1976 and had been a resident of Hampton Beach ever since. The family has summered in Wolfeboro, NH on Lake Winnepesaukee since 1955.

Mr. Brewitt graduated from the funeral program at New England Institute and had been a funeral director at Brewitt Funeral Service, Inc. since 1948. He was a longtime co-owner of the business along with his brother Richard Brewitt at the three locations in Exeter, Epping, and Raymond, NH. Carl volunteered many hours driving patients to hospitals as funeral homes formerly served as ambulance services as well.

Carl was very active in community affairs and was a member of many different organizations which included Past Commander of the Fuller-Covey VFW Post of Exeter, a member of the American Legion Post#32 of Exeter, member of the Star-in-the-East Lodge of Exeter, Olivet Council#11 of Exeter, the St. Alban Chapter#15 of Exeter, DeWitt Clinton Commandery of Portsmouth, Orient Chapter#22-OES of Exeter, Bektash Temple Shrine of Concord, Exeter Sportsman Club. He was Past President of Exeter Lions Club (1947), Exeter High School Boosters, and the Eventide Home Inc. of Exeter. Carl served as a Director of Indian Head Bank and Trust of Exeter, he was Past Nobel Grand of Sagamore Lodge IOOF of Exeter, member of the NH and Rockingham County

Woodland Owners Assoc., and member and former vesteryman of Christ Church Exeter. Carl was pre deceased by his sister, Adeline (Brewitt) Liberatore and his brother, Richard S. Brewitt.

He is survived by his loving wife, Ann Bradley (Dearborn) Brewitt, his four children and their spouses, Peter and Margaret Brewitt of Kennebunk, ME, Robert and Jeannie Brewitt of E. Alton, NH and Thailand, Nancy Jane and Carl West of Goffstown, NH, and Mark and Debbie Brewitt of Stratham, NH, 7 Grandchildren, 4 Great-Grandchildren, several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, February 6, 2009 from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Brewitt Funeral Home, 14 Pine St. Exeter, NH. During the calling hours, a Masonic service is scheduled to begin at 6:15 PM and a Lions Club service is scheduled to begin at 6:45 PM. The funeral service will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2009 at 11:00 AM at the Epping Community Church, Epping, NH.

Burial with military honors will follow in Prospect Cemetery, Epping, NH.

Flowers are acceptable, or donations may be made in Carl's memory to the Exeter Lions Club, PO Box 254, Exeter, NH 03833.

To sign an on line guest book, please visit www.brewittfuneralhome.com

BREWITT LEAVES LEGACY BEHIND

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EXETER — Many area residents who have suffered the loss of a loved one will remember the caring services offered to them by Carl Brewitt of the Brewitt Funeral Home.

Carl Brewitt, 85, who grew up and lived in the original Brewitt Funeral Home in Epping before taking over the Exeter home in 1948, died on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at Colonial Poplin Nursing Home in Fremont after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

"He certainly left quite a legacy behind him," said Brewitt's son, Peter Brewitt of Kennebunk, Maine. "To this day there are people that still ask for my dad because he was so kind to people over the years."

Carl Brewitt followed in the footsteps of his father, who started the family business in the 1920s, and took over running the Pine Street location after graduating from the funeral program at the New England Institute. He was a long-time co-owner of the business, along with his brother, Richard Brewitt, at their three locations in Exeter, Epping and Raymond.

"Dad was a very giving, caring, sharing person," Peter Brewitt said. "One of the things I remember the most growing up is, as I would go to a store, business or event, any number of places and people would learn who I was, they would go 'Oh, wow, Carl Brewitt's son,' and it was like an instant ticket to friendship or whatever the case may be, because my

dad was so helpful and so many people cared for him. He was a great example of what life ought to be; giving and sharing."

Carl Brewitt was involved in local social service agencies, an activity he passed on to his children. He belonged to the Exeter Lions Club, the Fuller-Covey VFW Post and the American Legion Post 32.

While their father never either encouraged or discouraged his children from joining the funeral home business, Peter Brewitt said the business has continued in the family through his cousins, Tom and John Brewitt.

Tom Brewitt said his uncle was an inspiring mentor.

"One thing about my uncle was he had a fabulous memory for people and names. He was so good with it and it's important, particularly in this business, to know people when they come in. He was very personal and I like to think I inherited it," he said. "I feel like I am losing more than an uncle."