

Percy Hamilton “Ham” Brown
August 30, 1934 – September 2, 2013

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On September 2, 2013, Percy Hamilton "Ham" Brown passed away.

"Ham" was born in Charlottesville, VA on August 30, 1934 to Percy H. and Elizabeth P. Brown.

He was raised in Hinton, WV. "Ham" attended Staunton Military School and the University of Virginia before being drafted in the US Army in 1954.

He served in the Army in Germany from 1954-1956. Upon his discharge from the Army he returned to WV and attended Concord College, graduating in 1960. In 1961, "Ham" joined the US Secret Service and was assigned to the Washington Field Office. In 1962 he was assigned to Joseph Kennedy, returning to the White House detail in 1964. He was assigned to Presidents Johnson and Nixon. In 1970, "Ham" transferred to Chicago for eight years, returning to the VP detail under VP's Mondale and Bush. "Ham" retired from the Secret Service in 1981 and became a member of the Association of Former Agents, US Secret Service. He held every elected position except Vice President and was elected to Executive Secretary, a position he held for 17 years. In 1980, "Ham" joined AA and over these years tried to help others just as AA helped him.

"Ham" is survived by his son, Col. Michael Brown, USMC, daughter-in-law Ellen, and their children, Houston and Jack; son, Kevin Brown and his son, Spencer; and daughter, Courtney Brown.

Funeral arrangements are being made by Demaine Funeral Home in Springfield, VA, with service to be held at the United Methodist Church of Annandale, VA at 10 a.m. on September 10, 2013, and burial to be held at The Quantico National Cemetery at 2 p.m. on September 10, 2013. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Wounded Warrior Project: www.woundedwarriorproject.org