



Irvine Powell

March 3, 1916 - April 21, 2018

Irvine Powell, age 102, a resident of Cokesbury Village, Hockessin, Delaware passed away with family by his side on April 21, 2018.

Mr. Powell attended Delmar High School, Delmar, DE, Class of 1936 and Goldey Beacom College in Wilmington, Class of 1938. Upon completion of his business school education, he began his employment with Hercules, Inc. of Wilmington, DE. In April 1941, he enlisted in the Army; serving in the European Theatre Headquarters in London, England and later in the Twelfth Army Group Headquarters in France and Germany. Prior to his discharge in December 1945, Mr. Powell was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. It is in Paris where Mr. Powell met and married his wife, Lucie E. Lemal.

In January 1946, Mr. Powell rejoined Hercules, Inc. where he had a long career until his retirement in July 1977 as the Regional Office Manager in the Treasurer's Department. Mr. Powell served on the School Board of the Richardson Park Elementary School. He also volunteered his time with the Junior Business Achievement program inspiring high school students to understand the benefits of a career in business.

Mr. Powell was a member of Limestone Presbyterian Church, Hercules Men's Club, and Hercules Country Club where he was an avid golfer. His other interests included spending time with family and friends, traveling, reading and spectator sports. After retirement, he enjoyed spending the winter months in Ocala, FL.

Mr. Powell and his wife, Lucie E. Lemal, were married 34 years before her

passing. He later married Mary G. Stevens for 15 years before her passing. Mr. Powell is preceded in his death by his sister, five brothers and his oldest son, James I. Powell. He is survived by a son David L. Powell (Liz) of Cornelius, NC; a daughter, Joan P. Jenaway (Bill) of King of Prussia, PA; a daughter-in-law (Kathy Price) of Rehoboth Beach, DE; a stepson, Mark E. Stevens of Wilmington, DE; two stepdaughters, Patricia Emmanuel (Bill) of West Chester, PA; Gail S. Walls (Jim) of Wilmington, DE, eleven grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and two nieces, Penny Milligan of Seaford, DE and Sharon Dorsey of Ocean City, MD.

Mr. Powell was a gentleman, a faithful friend, and a loving family man.

Affectionately known as PopPop, he will be missed by many.

The family wishes to express their gratitude and sincere appreciation to all the staff of Cokesbury Village. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Irvine's memory may be sent to the ACTS Legacy Foundation, Cokesbury Scholarship Fund (Memorial Gift), 726 Loveville Road, Hockessin, DE 19707 or Delaware Hospice, 16 Polly Drummond Center, 2nd Floor, Polly Drummond Shopping Center, Newark, DE 19711. A Celebration of his life will be planned later this spring at Cokesbury Village. Services and internment are private.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Irvine Powell*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM



“ *My father, Irwin Murray, and “Irv” had a special friendship at Cokesbury. They talked about their football years playing against each other, Delmar and Georgetown rivals, the many escapades they did together at Cokesbury. It was such fun to listen to them. He definitely was a gentlemen and we always enjoyed visiting with him. As with Dad, another life well lived. Thank goodness for great memories. Sue Elliott, daughter of Irwin Murray.*

Sue Elliott - May 04, 2018 at 01:19 PM



“ *Irv was the best name in our parent's (Shirley and Al Melson) wedding and was a dear friend to them both. Please know that the Melson family is thinking about the Powell family at this time and offering condolences. Irv and our dad graduated from Delmar High School in 1936 and Goldey Beacom in 1938. Irv went on to work at Hercules and Dad at DuPont. I am happy to know that they are reunited together again.*

John A. Melson

Susan Melson Ivey

Sue Ivey - April 30, 2018 at 10:03 AM

LF

“ Irv was a respected Business Leader during his career at Hercules. Enjoyed knowing him. He was the total gentleman.

Len Fischer - Hercules Colleague

Len Fischer - April 28, 2018 at 10:19 AM

JL

“ To the family of Irvine Powell,
I was fortunate to have worked with Irv at the Wilmington Regional office of Hercules. He was a trurly good man.
My sincere conflencs.

*John R. Long
Cabarera, Dom. Republic*

John R. Long - April 26, 2018 at 05:11 PM

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“ I had the privilege of knowing Irv the past three years and having him as a friend. I have never known a more gentle, kind gentleman. He will be missed by me and all here at Cokesbury village.

Bob Erdody

Robert Erdody - April 25, 2018 at 04:24 PM

WH

“ I shall miss my many meals with Irv. We had many things to discuss. We grew up in an area that we both liked to discuss. We had a lot in common.

My sincere sympathy goes out to the many family members.

Best Wishes

Walter Hopkins

Walter Hopkins - April 25, 2018 at 03:35 PM

SK

“ I had the privilege of working for Mr.Powell in the early seventies at Hercules. As his obituary states, he was a gentleman, a fair and kind human being. RIP Mr. Powell.

Steven J. Kubla

Steven J. Kubla - April 24, 2018 at 07:50 AM