LOUIS H. NEVINS (August 17, 2022)

Louis H. Nevins, 84, of Washington, DC, passed away on August 17, 2022, at home surrounded by his family. Born in Cleveland, OH, Lou grew up in Kittanning, Pennsylvania. He was a graduate of the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and Penn Law School. Following graduation, his lifelong love of politics took him to Washington, DC. He began his career as a lawyer at the Federal Housing Administration, but found his calling in legislative affairs, first for the National Association of Realtors, then as the Director of the Washington office of the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks.

In the early 80s, he became a partner at Thacher Proffitt & Wood, opening the firm's Washington, DC office. In 1993 he began his tenure as president of the Western League of Savings Institutions. After retirement, he served on the board of the American Jewish Committee (AJC) and led courses on politics and current events for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at American University.

In addition to being a steadfast supporter of Israel and a firm believer in engaging with different political views, he was devoted to children, his own, and others. He sat on the board of Big Brothers, Washington, DC, served as the PTA president of Lake Normandy Elementary School, and chaired the Parents Committee at Amherst College, where he received the Distinguished Service award.

He was an avid gardener, world traveler, chef, history buff, movie lover, indefatigable Washington sports fan, and theatergoer. He read the Washington Post and New York Times from cover to cover each day. Above all, he adored his family. The son of Ruth and Charles Nevins, he was a devoted husband to Sherry, father of Elizabeth Nevins-Saunders (Jay), Jennifer McAllister-Nevins (Ian), and David Nevins (Andrea), and stepfather to Dana Kempler and Lorin Mones (Jackie). He was Papa Lou to Clara, Charlie, Liv, Jesse, Gillian, Lucy, Austin, and Theo. A memorial service will be on Friday, August 19, at 2 p.m. at Washington Hebrew Congregation, 3935 Macomb St. NW, Washington, DC. For Livestream information, contact the family or Washington Hebrew Congregation. Family and friends are invited to sit Shiva on Friday following the service and Saturday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the home of Lou and Sherry Nevins. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Lou's name to American Jewish Committee (ajc.org). Services entrusted to Sagel Bloomfield Danzansky Goldberg Funeral Care.

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