



## Jane A. Brown

December 20, 1933 - February 24, 2018

Jane Ann Brown of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,

“A bright and loving light for all who knew her!”

Died Saturday, February 24, 2018 in Philadelphia at the age of 84.

Services will be private.

Survived by her Daughter, Glenys Y. Eldred (Dale) and Son, Theodore V. Yuhas Jr. (Annamarie) and Her brother Dr. Alvin Brown (Terri) and his 4 Children; Allyson Brown (Paul), their children Madelyn and Alex, Dr. Meredith “Brown” McAteer (James) and their children, Leo and Max, Andrew Brown and Dylan (Nichole).

Jane was Born in Scranton Pennsylvania, December. 20th, 1933 to Dorothy Ann Brown, (maiden name Danvers) and Alvin J. Brown, a graduate of The Wharton School of Business.

Jane graduated from Scranton High school with honors in the college track but for economic reasons was not able to pursue a college education at that time and instead worked at the Salt Company in Scranton. Jane was married to Dr. Theodore V. Yuhas Sr. August, 17 1957-1993.

Graduate of American Studies at Temple University

In her 40's, Jane attended Temple University and earned a degree in American Studies, Suma Cum Laude; She was very proud of that accomplishment and used her expertise to benefit several of the charities and museums in Philadelphia, such as the, 'Zoological Society of Philadelphia', 'The Atwater Kent Museum', 'The Seaport Museum', and 'The Independence National Park', where she worked at several different historic locations with her best friend Shirley Pinkerton.

Museum Volunteer work and her best friend

Jane and Shirley volunteered as a team in multiple Museum collections and Archives; cataloguing and preserving precious objects and works of historical significance. This

industrious duo, did an amazing amount of really extensive archival work and were much appreciated by Museum administrators.

Sometimes Jane worked with artifacts as they were being excavated from rubble and mud. Her hands would be painfully chapped even with gloves on as she tried to identify and save every bit of history she could. It was a true passion for her and in the world of American Decorative arts she was considered quite an expert especially in Philadelphia colonial style antique furniture.

### Happenstance and Danvers Family Lineage

One day while working in a Philadelphia museum archive, Jane found the book “Memorials of the Danvers Family (of Dauntsey and Culworth): Their Ancestors and Descendants from the Conquest Till the Termination of the Eighteenth Century; with Some Account of the Alliances of the Family and of the Places, where They Were Seated” By Francis Nottidge MacNamara, Published in 1895.

This amazing book catalogues the genealogy of Jane’s Mother, Dorothy Ann Brown (Danvers) family lineage all the way back to The Norman Conquest of 1066. For weeks Jane studiously photocopied the original onto acid free paper and then had it professionally bound for safekeeping as it chronicled much of the family history and was a significant work. She had the book in her possession for many years.

Subsequently, in 2010 Jane’s daughter Glenys traveled to the United Kingdom to research the Danvers family genealogy on behalf of her mother and found where Henry Danvers, 1st Earl of Danby was buried at the ‘Church of Saint James the Great’, Dauntsey, England.

Jane was inspired after that trip to donate her precious copy of the “Memorials of the Danvers Family” lineage to the Dauntsey Chapel and Glenys hand carried it there in 2012 and gifted it to the Chapel as part of their permanent collection. ... It was very important to Jane to leave the book in an accessible safe haven for the later generations to find the key threads of the family heritage.

### Elegant Jane

She studiously perfected her tastes and sensibilities until she was a haven of grace and an amazing hostess. She created herself as the woman she wanted to be as she raised herself up in the world where she surely stood for being the BEST version of herself. She taught us all that too!

Jane joyfully collected people, art, antiques, colored glass, porcelain shoes, teapots, trains, and wooden Nutcrackers! She was surrounded by beauty every day as she overlooked the majesty of what she used to call “ My Bridge” the Ben Franklin Bridge.

Jane adored traveling and made her way to many exotic places like China, Wales, France, Italy, Hawaii, Thailand, Nepal and England to name a few -- and even rode Elephants on Safari! Mom on an elephant under an umbrella!

### Jane and Love

She loved in a big way and often found joy in the smallest of things like lovingly mangled wildflowers that her little daughter, Glenys harvested from the yard to present to her, or sitting in the parking lot at Penn’s Hockey rink in the wee hours of the morning waiting for her son Teddy to come out of Ice hockey practice smelling like rotting socks... She made the best grilled-cheese sandwiches on the planet and the best home packed lunches ever!

Her children, Glenys and Teddy always had what they needed for whatever they were doing at any stage of their lives. She always said, “You can do anything,” and I guess because she was a constant force-of-nature, we all believed her and lived into that potential.

Truly loving is all about wanting greatness for the people you love and she LOVED huge! Being Loved by Jane was a rare gift and those who she loved well knew the joy and warmth of her Love.

### Mom and Twizzie puppy fun!

Mom Met “Twizzie” Glenys’ Black Golden Doodle for the first time in fall of 2016! It was love at first sight. She liked to leave a pair of socks for him to steal up in her bedroom, permanently there ready for his next visit. It was their special game and he was a reliable participant in the snatch and grab! Clearly she loved baiting the trap! Twizzie once caught in the act would just lay his head on her knee as she gently stroked his head. Sometimes he would close his eyes and nap right there as long as she continued stroking; such a sweet moment.

### The Oregon Diner

We had so many fun times at the Oregon Diner. The last time I took Mom there she had her first Gyro!! Oh Boy did she love that! We had Twizzie with us that day. She sat there looking so innocent as she was busily sneaking him french fries under the table! Then

when I caught her red handed, she helped me wrap up the remaining ones in her napkin so she could feed him the rest out in the car! The two of them were so cute together!

Later in her life, Jane had many health challenges relating to Diabetes but even with that she lived an independent life until the very last. She truly valued Her freedom to choose how to live her life her way, said so and made it happen!

In an Instant

She passed in an instant, without fear or pain leaving those she loved to find their own way now... She prepared us, and we have each other.

Beauty, Grace, Passion, Love and Independence That is the life essence of Jane and that is her gift to those of us she loved!

The Daffodils of Wales

Mom planted daffodils wherever she was, she always said you could tell if a welsh woman lived in a house by the presence of the daffodils... Certainly was true of her! She planted thousands in her lifetime!

When you see her favorite flower the Daffodil, as they break the grey of winter; their tender shoots peaking up even through the last snow and their beautiful yellow trumpets reach for the sun... Remember Jane and the sunshine she brought to everyone she knew!

Enjoy the Gifts of Jane and Live in Happiness!

She has a smile and a hug for everyone no matter what!

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Glenys Eldred and Ted Yuhas

Memorial contributions can be made to her favorite charity “Wounded Warriors”

[www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org)