In Loving Memory
Benjamin Franklin Howell, Jr.
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June 12, 1917 – May 12, 2018

Benjamin F. Howell, Jr., 100, of 1950 Cliffside Drive, State College passed away on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at his residence in Juniper Village from congestive heart failure. He was born on June 12, 1917 in Princeton, New Jersey, the only son of Claire and Benjamin F. Howell, Sr.

Ben was a 1939 graduate of Princeton University, and received his Masters and Ph.D. from Cal Tech University, prior to moving to State College in 1949. Ben retired from Penn State University in 1977 as Associate Dean in the Graduate School and Professor of Geophysics in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences.

Ben was an avid bridge player throughout his life and he was a stamp collector for many years. He was an inspiration to his family for his passionate views on climate change and family values. Ben was a long time member at University Baptist and Brethren Church where he served as a Deacon and Treasurer.

In addition to his parents, Ben was preceded in death by his daughter Cathy in 1963, and his wife, Connie Howell in 1992. He is survived by his three children, Dr. Barbara Raphael of Longboat Key, Florida, Bonnie Garside of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Dr. Jim Howell of Dexter, Michigan. He has 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to:

University Baptist and Brethren Church
411 S. Burrowes Street
State College, PA 16801

Penn State University Graduate Fellowship Endowment Fund
Old Main, University Park, PA, 16802