

**William R. Brown****Date of Death:** 4/11/2018

William Robert (Bob) Brown died on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, in Canton, CT. Bob was born in 1926 to Eva McCracken Brown and William Thomas Brown in Cincinnati, Ohio. His father was an army officer and he lived in various places during his youth. Before attending college, he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Bob was educated at the University of Cincinnati (BS), Washington University St. Louis (MS), and Harvard (PhD). His first career was as a foreign service officer in the U.S. Department of State. He served in Lebanon, Egypt, Indonesia, Yemen, Pakistan, and Sudan. In his second career in academia, Bob completed a Rockefeller Fellowship in academic administration at Colgate. He was the Dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences at Stockton State College in New Jersey and later Dean of Arts and Sciences at Central Connecticut State University. He was the author of two books and numerous newspaper commentaries. His interests and pleasures included family, international relations, travel, art, and his home in Canton. He served on the Board of Trustees at the New Britain Museum of American Art and was an active member of the New Britain Unitarian Fellowship. He is survived by his wife, Lois Lee (Loje) Brown, daughter Stephanie, son Chadwick, stepdaughter Julie, step-son Mitchell, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Donations in memory of William R. Brown may be made to the New Britain Museum of American Art at 56 Lexington Street, New Britain, CT 06052. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at the Unitarian Society of Hartford at 50 Bloomfield Avenue, Hartford, CT.