Sally Barnitz Brickman

May 27, 1934 – November 2, 2026



Sally Barnitz Brickman, a devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and cherished friend, passed away peacefully at the age of 92, surrounded by the love of her family. Her life was one of extraordinary devotion to her family, deep faith, quiet generosity, and a lifelong commitment to serving others.

Born on May 27, 1934, in Urbana, Ohio, Sally was the daughter of Robert and Harryet Barnitz. She grew up with her two sisters, Barbara Acton and Betsy Gladish both of whom, along with her grandson, Derek predeceased her. Sally attended the Academy of the New Church in Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania, where she met the love of her life, Theodore "Dick" Brickman. They married when Sally was just 20 years old, beginning a remarkable 72-year marriage built on love, partnership, faith, and an unwavering commitment to one another.

Together, Sally and Dick raised four children and built a life rich in family, friendship, and purpose. While Dick helped establish and grow The Brickman Group into one of the nation's leading landscape companies, Sally was an indispensable partner in that journey. From the earliest days of the business, she provided administrative support, encouragement, sound judgment, and the steady foundation that allowed both the company and their growing family to flourish. Her contributions, often made quietly and without seeking recognition, were essential to their shared success.

Above all else, Sally's greatest joy and proudest accomplishment was her family. She was the consummate homemaker, mother, and family organizer, possessing a remarkable ability to make everyone around her feel loved, supported, and cared for. A devoted member of the New Church, Sally lived her beliefs through service, compassion, and love for her fellow human beings. She was actively involved in her church community and dedicated countless hours to volunteer work. Sally was also a committed philanthropist generously supported healthcare institutions in both Pennsylvania and Florida, as well as the American Revolutionary War Museum and the historic preservation and educational mission of Colonial Williamsburg. Her charitable interests reflected her belief in caring for others, preserving history, and strengthening the institutions that serve future generations.

After moving from Glenview, Illinois, Sally and Dick divided their time between Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania, and Vero Beach, Florida, building lasting friendships and becoming valued members of both communities.

Sally is survived by her beloved husband of 72 years, Dick Brickman; their four children, Steve Brickman (Julie); Scott Brickman (Julie); Susan McGrath (Tom); and Julie Carr (Chris). She also leaves behind sixteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, each of whom brought her immense pride and joy. She will be deeply missed, lovingly remembered, and forever cherished by the many people whose lives were made better simply because she was a part of them.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to one of the following charities that were special to Sally: Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust, 2955 Edge Hill Rd, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006; Indian River Land Trust, 3150 Cardinal Dr, Suite 201, Vero Beach, FL 32963; or your local Hospice Chapter.