

Howard Frank Bovers Jr.

Died: January 25, 2013

Howie died of congestive heart failure on Friday, January 25, 2013 at his home in Bend, Oregon. He was 72.

Born in Atlantic City, New Jersey, he graduated from Towle High School in Newport, New Hampshire. He was on the student council there and served as a representative to Boy's State. He was Editor-in-Chief of the high school yearbook, participated in dramatics, and played on the basketball and football teams.

At Dartmouth, Howie was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and in his freshman year was on the crew and in his freshman and sophomore years was with WDCR. He was a graduate of The Amos Tuck School of Business Administration, where he earned his M.B.A. in 1962.

Identical obituaries in the Bend Bulletin (Oregon) and The New York Times say that after Tuck, he served as a First Lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve before joining CBS as a financial analyst.

Howie's friend and our classmate Cartter Frierson, in a March 26, 2013 e-mail shortly after Howie's death, wrote about Howie's early career.

"You will all remember Howie was very driven to excel in finance and trading," writes Cartter. "He spent the summer before his senior year (at Tuck) as an intern for the chairman of CBS, William Paley. I admired his determination to do well and make lots of money. In part this was motivated by his desire to supplant the financial difficulties his father's heart attack had created for the family just as he was coming to Dartmouth."

The obituaries pick up the thread. "After becoming a partner of the William S. Paley Company he oversaw the design and development of Paley Park in New York City and conducted extensive research to ensure the Park had 'the best hot dogs in the City.' For his efforts, Bovers received an American Institute of Architects (AIA) Award for project management, which he shared with I.M. Pei and Phillip Johnson."

After leaving CBS, say the obituaries, Howie "created and managed a variety of business endeavors after leaving CBS, including ventures into the energy industry. Active in political and social organizations, he was a member of the New York Yacht Club, the New York Athletic Club, and the John's Island Club in Florida. An avid skier and boater, Bovers also enjoyed wining and dining young ladies."

Howie left no reflections in any of the reunion publications over the years, which only indicate places he lived, in Salt Lake City and Florida (Vero Beach, West Palm Beach).

At the time of his death, Howie was Managing Partner of Second Chance Mining Company LLC in Utah.

Divorced in the early 1980's, Howie was survived only by a sister, Nancy B. Russell, of Falls Church, Virginia, and a son, H. Bradford Bovers, of Acworth, Georgia.