



Harvey Albert Hermann 1934–2017



It is with great sadness that Illinois Bands is sharing the passing of Harvey A. Hermann on Friday, August 4th, 2017, just three weeks before his 83rd birthday. Harvey was a long-time employee and generous supporter of the Illinois School of Music and Illinois Bands.

After receiving his BS (1963) and MS (1968) degrees in music education from the University of Illinois, Harvey served as woodwind assistant to the director of bands during the tenure of three U of I directors of bands (Hindsley, Begian, and Keene). He was a well-known clarinet pedagogue, and notably started the University of Illinois Clarinet Choir in May of 1965. Harvey led the group on tours, both domestic and international, including an appearance at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic in 1983. Beyond his teaching, he arranged over 400 works for clarinet choir, which have received many performances around the world. In 1994, after thirty-two years working with Illinois Bands, he retired but maintained a connection to his alma mater by working with the Illinois Summer Youth Music Camp (ISYM).

Harvey continued to support the School of Music and band program in his retirement, and was a fixture at many concerts and rehearsals. Visitors to the Harding Band Building can see the longevity of Harvey's involvement from his inclusion as one of the A.A. Harding Award honorees in 1962, to the plaque recognizing his commitment as a staff member from 1962 to 1994. The faculty, staff, and students of University of Illinois Bands wish to send our deepest condolences to his family.

Visitation:
11:00am-1:00pm
Saturday, August 12
Sunset Funeral Home
710 N. Neil St.
Champaign, IL 61820

Funeral:
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