



MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENT MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION

FEDERATION OF JEWISH MEN'S CLUBS 2016-2017



CONGREGATION BETH EL MEN'S CLUB, VOORHEES, NJ HENRY E. DAVID, D.O.

FAMILY

Spouse: Deborah Lynn Klein-David

Child: Sarah

EDUCATION

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences

and did residencies at Mercy Catholic, Albert Einstein, Hahnemann and SUNY-Stony Brook medical centers

OCCUPATION

Orthopaedic Surgeon

Henry David has been the man who will pitch in whenever you need him, filling the role you need just when it most has to be done. It's that kind of devotion over the decades that has earned him the Man of the Year Award from Congregation Beth El Men's Club for 2016-17.

Henry's time at Beth El is virtually unrivaled. He has been a member for 71 years, starting at its original home in Camden, New Jersey (where he became a Bar Mitzvah in 1953), throughout its entire time in Cherry Hill, and still going strong at its current home in Voorhees.

If Henry can get to an event, he will volunteer. He greets guests for hours at a time on Yom Kippur. He works for hours with Beth El's kitchen crew to prepare for its Breakfast Speaker Series, particularly enjoying pitching in to prepare perfect latkes during Hanukkah. He also sings in both the Beth El and Temple Beth Shalom choirs.

He is an Army veteran and does Beth El proud as a member of the Jewish War Veterans, Post 126, Cherry Hill, where he has risen to Senior Vice Commander. He helps coordinate and assist veterans with their home and financial needs and has organized various functions, including Thanksgiving Day meals aboard the USS New Jersey.

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He finds time for all of this even though he is 76 and still works as an orthopaedic surgeon. He has had a private practice since 1981 and is on staff at Virtua Health. He graduated from the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences and did residencies at Mercy Catholic, Albert Einstein, Hahnemann and SUNY-Stony Brook medical centers. He has traveled to hospitals and clinics in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Missouri, and even as far as North Dakota when someone required his surgical services.

Henry was a star athlete in his youth, playing on a South Jersey Group 3 championship football team in 1957 at Moorestown High and earning All-South Jersey first-team honors. He played football at Villanova University, averaging 4.7 yards per carry overall, and helping to help lead the Wildcasts to victory in the 1961 Sun Bowl.

He served in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1963-1969, including six months active duty at Fort Dix. He worked as a medic, caring for wounded Vietnam veterans and assisting in surgeries. He recently received the Camden County Military Service Medal for honorable service.

Henry is married to Deborah Lynn Klein-David and is father of Sarah J. David. He still loves playing senior league softball as well as golf and tennis.

Henry would be content to keep working behind the scenes. But after decades of dedication, Beth El Men's Club can find no one more deserving of Man of the Year honors.

Mazel tov and Yasher Koach, Henry!