



Official Obituary of
Cory Spencer Brown

October 14, 1961 - April 12, 2021



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Cory Spencer Brown Obituary

Cory Spencer Brown passed away April 12, 2021 at the age of 59 surrounded by his family and friends at his home of 23 years in Georgetown, Massachusetts. His battle with brain cancer in the previous year showed unparalleled courage in facing life challenges with compassion, grace, unrelenting kindness and even bouts of raucous humor, which he so generously shared with the family he loved.

Cory grew up in Minneapolis a competitive skier and graduated from Orono High School as the President of his Class. He would meet the love of his life, Dorian Galanter Brown, while attending University of Wisconsin Madison; they were married 33 years. Cory made everything in life better. Their relationship would be filled with unwavering devotion, perpetual kindness, fine food, travel with family and friends, and the world's best wheaten terrier, Rudi. Dorian adored Cory's intelligent sense of humor, his joy for food, and his unstoppable desire to explore the world. Dorian insists resolutely that it is Cory who is the better half. Together they had Trevor, who like his father would inspire in people a desire to be better. According to Cory, being Trevor's dad was the thing he loved most in the world because it was the thing that made him feel whole.

In a poem entitled The Way It Is William Stafford writes, "There is a thread you follow. It goes among things that change. But it doesn't change. You wonder about what you are doing. You say, yet the thread is there." Cory's thread centered on caring deeply about people. He listened, observed, engaged and reflected on the small

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details of people's lives with a presence and authenticity that ushered forth an increased sense of belonging and connection. Edythe, Cory's mother, would say simply and beautifully that he was born good. His acts of kindness and deep caring drew people to him and formed lasting bonds not only with Cory himself but also to an ever-expanding, limitless circle. Seemingly effortlessly, Cory gathered people together over purpose, passion, mission, or need. This worldview would become his legacy, his thread.

Cory believed that if you see something you know is wrong, you need to be part of the solution. His profound sense of fairness, generosity and caring for others broke down barriers. Cory was a role model not only to his son Trevor but to all those who had the privilege of spinning in his world.

Even with a brain cancer diagnosis, his first reaction was, "How can I be a part of the solution here?" Following a meeting with a doctor who lacked any amount of empathy, the family was left feeling broken by his words and lack of compassion. They identified the problem after understanding that the issue was widespread. Diving into research-based data that focuses on the correlation between high empathy output from people in patient-facing roles and positive patient outcomes, Cory and Trevor would create a powerful vehicle for change called Voices of Empathy. For more information on the organization and its mission, visit www.voicesofempathy.com.

Cory is preceded in death by father Hillard Brown, step father Irving Misel, and brother David Brown. He is survived by wife Dorian Galanter Brown; son

Trevor Brown; mother Edythe Misel; brother Harry Brown and wife Lauren Brown; brother-in-law Doug Galanter and sister-in-laws Jan Perry and Mary Paggabao; nieces Laurel Galanter, Zoe Brown, Denisse Galanter; and nephew Evan Brown.

Ultimately, Cory is remembered by others not for the millions of dollars of software he sold as a marketing and sales executive, but for the deep personal connections and relationships he nurtured in pursuit of the common good. Cory's brother Harry offers words that would be echoed among countless others, "I am a better person for knowing him." Cory Brown's legacy remains a living, breathing foundation and guide for the great work of our lives. May his commitment to meeting every person with empathy and compassion become more deeply realized in your heart, mind and work.

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With heartfelt condolences. I just learned of Cory's death today, realizing I hadn't seen or heard from him on social media in awhile. He was a gem.

Robin Apple

June 14, 2022



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