



**Clemmy Brodsky** was often called the Citrus Queen around North Hills Community Outreach, not because of a sour disposition but because for many years she was one of the top sellers in NHCO's annual Citrus Sale, which raised funds for families in poverty. Indeed, Clemmy's warmth, humor and grace only enhanced her passion for serving others.

Clemmy, a former NHCO board member and longtime supporter, passed away in July 2017 at age 80. Clemmy made every minute count, whether it was dining with her Inter-Cultural Women's group, or spearheading food drives for NHCO at her temple, Ohav Shalom. An NHCO staff member remembered, "Clemmy was full of life and humor...and she was very nice to everyone." Another person recalled, "I remember her always stopping in wearing her tennis outfit. She loved to play, and continued to do well into her 70's."

According to her obituary in the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, Clemmy was a lifelong social justice volunteer, active with not only NHCO but Temple Ohav Shalom, the Greater Pittsburgh and North Hills YWCA, Pittsburgh North Anti-Racism Coalition, and NACEL, and international student exchange program. A former secondary education teacher, Clemmy lived with her husband of 58 years, Allan, in Shaler, where they raised two children. Her family named NHCO as a recipient of donations in her memory.

In addition to serving on NHCO's board from 1994 to 2009 (with one year off) and serving on Citrus Sale committee, Clemmy was lead volunteer on several NHCO events at Emmanuel's Lutheran Church in Bellevue when the North Borough's office was located there. She walked in the Highmark Walk and participated in Holiday Gift Wrap, and served on Board Development and Fund Development Committees. "She was popular at board meetings," recalled a staff member, "because she always brought chocolate!"

For Clemmy, it wasn't about racking up volunteer hours -- it was all about the people. "She was there in the moment, talking, interacting, making a personal connection. 110% there," her son Jay said while eulogizing her. "That was mom's approach to social justice. One conversation, one connection at a time. Human-to-human, unmediated and real.

*Thank you Clemmy*

*for your service to families in need*