



Neil Churchill

Class of 1945

During his long and distinguished career, he published over 70 articles and books and taught in over 10 countries around the world. He taught at Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh, from 1958 to 1966. Neil was the Royal Little Professor of Business Administration at Harvard Business School, from 1968 to 1981. At Harvard he was one of the founding faculty of the Owner-Presidents Program. He taught at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass., from 1989 to 1993; was a Professor Emeritus of Entrepreneurship at INSEAD in Fontainebleau, France, where he taught from 1993 to 1998; and at UCLA he was a visiting professor at the Price Center for Entrepreneurship Studies from 1999 until he retired in 2003. He has served on Editorial Boards of a number of entrepreneurship journals. Neil was an accountant with Haskins & Sells, CPA's (1951-53); an Assistant to the Chairman of Touche Ross & Company; CPA's, in 1970 and 1979-80; and was President/COO of the Patton Corporation, an advertising agency that also owned five radio stations. Neil has served on the board of directors of some two-dozen owner-managed businesses and has had extensive consulting experience with both large and small enterprises. While at Babson, he co-founded the joint-SBANE (Small Business Association of New England) Executive Program for Entrepreneurs; at INSEAD, he was a co-founder of their Owner-Director Programme; and has been a faculty member since the inception of the YEO-INC Magazine-MIT Birthing of Giants program for young entrepreneurs in 1988.

Neil was born in Bismarck and served in the Navy shortly after High school. Neil has a BS and MBA from UCLA, a PhD from University of Michigan, and an A.M (Honorary) from Harvard University.

Neil loved flying, gliding and scuba diving. He loved traveling with his wife of 58 years, Marjorie, and enjoying the food and wine of countries around the world. Neil was also active in Vistas Life Long Learning and the Harvard Club of Santa Barbara.

Neil died Sept. 11, 2010, due to complications from dementia. He was 83.

