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In memoriam: Robert Spiller, Boston Five Cents Savings Bank - 78

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Former president and chairman of the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, Robert Spiller passed away on February 27th. He leaves his wife, Elizabeth and four daughters.

Spiller, who served as a captain in the U.S. Air Force, had the distinction of being appointed the youngest president of a New England savings bank.

In the early seventies he invited Roland Hopkins to join him and John Hewett, the most well respected appraiser in the industry, in developing a new TV show, This Old House. Roland, the New England Real Estate Journal publisher, turned down the offer saying that the Journal was commercial and This Old House was residential - a misjudgment he always regretted.

Spiller was an active MAI and for many years a regular columnist in the Journal. According to Roland, "If I were asked to recall individuals who were ranked in a top ten rating for success and honor, Spiller would be included."

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