A Tribute to Community Historian Amy Rispin (1939-2022)

Amy Rispin, a long-time resident of Brookdale, had a passion for the history of this area.

Her research skills and institutional knowledge cultivated over decades resulted in this unique and in-depth *History of Brookdale*, first published in 2013.

The fundamental, fascinating, and exhaustive details of this history have not changed—unlike Brookdale itself over the past decade since this publication. The Brookdale area has expanded, as has the number and diversity of its residents. (See an updated map on the next page).

The business environment has waxed and waned, yet Brookdale looks forward to dramatic residential and retail growth and development over the next ten years.

However, as Brookdale continues to evolve, its history is now secured. Rispin's impressive bibliography and appendices will undoubtedly guide another generation of local historians to do the vitally important work of preserving the complex history of American neighborhoods and communities.

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