

Dave Brown



Dave Brown retired in August, 2003, after a 38-year career producing daily columns about the nation's capital at street level. He wrote more than 10,000 columns (equal in word count to 10 Bibles) and on retirement the newspaper called him "a legend" because of his consistent high readership. He continues to write a regular once-a-week column appearing on Sundays. On his retirement the Citizen wrote he possessed "a priceless journalistic commodity: he is a contrarian, one who does not ride with the pack." He has produced columns on subjects ranging from questionable ethics among the professions to farting; from the excesses of the child protection system and zero tolerance to the horrors of war through the eyes of veterans.

Married twice, he has four children and two grandchildren. He is married to Sheila Brady, mother of two and the Citizen's homes editor.

Born in North Bay, Ont., and raised on Manitoulin Island, Mr. Brown says retirement will give him time work on his unresolved problem. "I still haven't decided what I want to be when I grow up."