

For John Simon

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Abe Simon

Abe Simon, a longtime Scarsdale resident and marathon runner, died Sunday of cancer at Mount Sinai Hospital in Manhattan. He was 59.

He was a resident of Scarsdale for more than 20 years, and lived at 13 Stratton Road.

Mr. Simon was founder and president of Scarsdale Antiques, a running club with more than 200 members. When founded in 1969, the name originally reflected the age of the runners, many of whom were middle-age or older.

Simon was also instrumental in forming the New York Road Runner's Club.

A social worker by profession, he became a runner at the age of 44, after suffering a heart attack. He went on to complete 35 marathon races.

He organized Scarsdale's annual race in 1970 and was instrumental in founding the Westchester Half Marathon.

He was a World War II Army veteran and participated in the Normandy Beach invasion.

After the war, he became the sparring partner for Willy Pep, a feather-weight boxing champion, in the 1940s.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra of the home address; and four daughters, Denise, Juliette, Rebecca and Diana Simon, all of the home address.