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ADAMS Joseph Peter Adams, 82, died Dec. 17, 2009, after an extended illness. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Molly Smith Adams; children Dr. Daniel Adams, Houston; Dr. Laurie Frost (Mark), Huntsville, AL; Dr. John Adams, Brussels, Belgium (Franca); grandchildren Maxwell Frost and Iris Frost; Miami nephew James Kay, and many other extended family members. Services will be 2 pm Monday, Dec. 21 at the Coral Gables Congregational Church. A reception will follow at the church.

A lifelong resident of Miami from the age of 3 months, Joe graduated from Miami High in 1944, joined the Navy, then returned to earn his BS and MS at the University of Miami. Joe completed two years of graduate studies in pharmacology at Iowa State University, and in 1968 was awarded Rank A Certification following further graduate studies at Florida State University. He began his teaching career at Citrus Grove Junior High and retired in 1988 from Coral Gables High, where he taught physics and advanced placement biology.

Joe led a rich life enhanced by travels across the US and Europe. He took full advantage of South Florida's natural bounty, fishing in the bay and growing avocados, mangos, key limes, bromeliads, and palms. A 40-year member of the CG Country Club, he enjoyed tennis, bridge, and dancing with his beloved wife.

The family wishes to thank the caring staff at Heartland Kendall and special angel Mercedes Tulloch for all they did for their husband and father during his long battle.



Events


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Service

 **Monday**, December 21, 2009

 2:00 PM ET

 **Coral Gables Congregational Church**
3010 De Soto Boulevard, Coral Gables FL





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Anonymous posted:

Never met Joe, but he looks like someone I would have enjoyed knowing. My sympathy to Molly and the family.##imported-begin##William J. "Bill" WINDLE##imported-end##

December 21 at 2:27 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Cousins,My thoughts are with you. I miss you all and think of you often. Please know that I love you.Always,Lynn Sennett##imported-begin##Lynn Sennett##imported-end##

December 21 at 10:11 AM



Anonymous posted:

Todd still talks fondly of his visit with you in Miami. Sorry we are unable to join you tomorrow. You and your family will be in our thoughts.##imported-begin##Ron, Gail, and Todd Pickett##imported-end##

December 20 at 6:52 PM



Anonymous posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this difficult time. Your friend and relative,Carol Boone##imported-begin##Carol Boone##imported-end##

December 19 at 8:44 PM



Anonymous posted:

Molly, We were so sorry to hear Buddy had been in nursing home for 4 year. Know it's all been hard on you. Our sympathy and love to you.##imported-begin##Joan and Sam Arthur##imported-end##

December 19 at 1:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Our community is less for the passing of a good and gracious man, Joe Adams. I often wonder how many of his students went on to find their lives in teaching. I suspect there is a good number of us. There's not a week that goes by that I don't reflect on the wit and patience of Mr. Adams. When I wonder what I might say to a student who is difficult to teach or hard to reach, I stop and wonder "How would Mr. Adams have handled this kid?" Invariably, the right way to go about things presents itself. My heart goes out to his family in their time of loss. With profound respect and affection, David##imported-begin##David Altshuler##imported-end##

December 19 at 12:39 PM



Anonymous posted:

Jordon and I express our sincere sympathy to the family members upon the passing of your special Joe. We know that this is a difficult time for all of you and hope that expressions of friends many help to ease the pain of your loss. His extended illness was indeed difficult for him and for all of you too. Seeing a loved one ill for so long is not easy for them nor for the family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. With love, Jordon and Margaret Steele##imported-begin##Jordon and Margaret Steele##imported-end##

December 19 at 8:23 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph P. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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