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David Martin Talty, age 87 of Coconut Grove, Florida, passed away at Mercy Hospital on December 22, 2023. He is survived by his loving family: David M. Talty, III and wife, Tamara, Michael Talty and wife, Paulette, Shannon Talty and wife, Janice, two grandchildren Michelle and Kelsey Talty and his former wife, Dee Talty and longtime girlfriend Tere Starr. David was born on January 11, 1936 in Providence, Rhode Island to David and Anne Talty. As a teenager, he attended Riverside Military Academy in Gainesville, GA and West Palm Beach High School. At Florida State University, where he majored in Hotel & Restaurant Management, he was a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity, The Collegians (all male chorus) and the famous Flying High Circus. Upon graduation in 1957, he embarked on his lifetime occupation of restaurant management.

After a series of managerial jobs which took him from Pensacola, Miami, San Francisco, he joined the Burger King Corporation in Miami in 1963. He served as Southeast District Manager from Atlanta for a couple of years before being named National Director of Operations. At that time, he moved back to Miami, where he has resided for 58 years. In the ensuing years, David and his partner, David Edgerton owned and operated multi locations of their steak house concept, Bodega. He taught restaurant management at Florida International University for 30 years and was an investor and advisor in his son Shannon's successful Olde Hearth Bread Company in Orlando. Van Orsdel of Coral Gables is handling funeral arrangements. A private celebration of David life will be held at a later date.



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HW

Helaine Watson posted:

I am so sorry my cousin's love, David, has passed away. I remember fondly, the times we went to have a nice dinner in Coconut Grove. Ted and I miss you dearly.

July 8 at 10:12 PM

VR

Vic Rose posted:

My sincere condolences to Shannon and the rest of the Talty family. I met David when I was 16 and David was 32 when I worked after school at the Burger King in Madison Heights Michigan. David and all the BK executives would come to up from Miami to tour the stores in and around Detroit. I moved to Florida in 1980 and around 2009 I found out that David worked at FIU. I reached out to him and told him about how I met him in 1968 in Detroit and he was nice enough to invite me to the Houston's in Miami where we had lunch and talked about my experience working for BK when he was their VP. 41 years later, we had the opportunity to meet again where we shared some great stories about those times. David was very generous and kind person and he will be missed. Thanks to David, I was introduced to his son Shannon and learned about his great Olde Hearth bakery in Orlando. Once again my sincere condolences to the Talty family. RIP David. Vic Rose

January 3 at 11:22 AM

RA

Rachel Amato posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you. Professor Talty was a great man and amazing professor. He will be missed.

December 30 at 11:08 AM

RU

Randall Upchurch posted:

David was a consummate educator who always believed in providing our students with a quality education necessary to prepare all of them for careers in the industry that he so dearly loved...meaning the restaurant management and development sector. I remember a day when he approached our previous dean, Mike Hampton, and sternly informed him that we were 'dumbing' down our curriculum. I admired him for such dedication...and for never being shy to express his opinion.

December 30 at 5:48 AM



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JF

Joan Fannin lit a candle in honor of DAVID.

My condolences to the family.

December 28 at 1:28 PM



GU

Gayla & Chuck Ullman lit a candle in honor of DAVID.

gayla chuck ullman lit a candle in memory of DAVID TALTY

December 27 at 12:54 PM



JW

Jeffrey Winnik lit a candle in honor of DAVID.

Grandpa you will be missed gbnf see you on the other side

December 27 at 5:21 AM



WD

Wallace Doolin posted:

David, was such a class man. I always respected him as a unique combination of restaurateur and a professor! He always shared his great knowledge with all of us fortunate to know him! Most of all David was a great human! God bless his family and close friends 🙏

December 27 at 4:39 AM

PW

Patti Webb lit a candle in honor of DAVID.

December 26 at 11:45 AM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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