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Obituaries

ZANE FELDMAN C.M.



It is with great sadness that the family of Zane Feldman announce his sudden passing on April 5, 2003 in Palm Springs, CA, at the age of 80 years.

He will be lovingly remembered and deeply missed by his children, daughter Sherry (Perry) Kahler, and sons David Feldman, Mark Feldman, and Dennis Feldman, by his grandchildren Zachary & Maxwell Kahler, Mikhael & Stephanie Feldman, and Laura Rose Feldman, by his niece Isabel Pappo, and by his faithful friend and long time assistant Cindy Couch. Zane had many friends made through a lifetime of his involvement in business, his love for sports, his compassion for community and his dedication to his faith, and he will be sorely missed by all.

His involvement in Business really began in 1947 when the purchase of a car began a career and lifetime involvement in the automotive industry, and the road to a long friendship and partnership with the late Dr. Charles Allard. Their twenty five year association flourished and created an empire consisting of restaurants, hotels, land holdings, radio and television stations and more. While President of Crossawn Motor City, the dealership grew to become the largest volume franchise in Canada, and he was honored by the Edmonton Motor Dealers Association for his vast contributions to the automotive industry. His love of sports, and specifically for the game of hockey, was realized in his long time involvement with the Crossawn Motor City Maple Leafs and the Edmonton Oil Kings. Zane was a Founder of the original Edmonton Oilers and a Governor of the World Hockey Association. His compassion for Community was seen in his involvement with such worthy organizations as Crime Stoppers, The United Way, W.I.N. House, N.A.I.T, and the Youth Emergency Shelter to name a few. A proud moment certainly came with the opening of the Zane Feldman Auditorium at the Cross Cancer Institute. Zane held directorships over the years with many well known associations including the Edmonton Motor Dealers Association, the Better Business Bureau, the Edmonton Safety Council, The Alberta Cancer Board, and The North West Trust Company. His dedication to his Faith saw Zane support every level of Jewish life in Edmonton, where he was strongly dedicated to the Beth Israel Synagogue. In 1993, the Jewish National Fund of Canada, paid tribute in their highest form to Zane's contributions, making him their honoree at their annual Nagev Dinner. A further highlight in Zane's life came in 1992 when he was the recipient of the very prestigious Order of Canada.

Funeral services will take place Wednesday, April 9, 2003 at the Chevra Kadisha Chapel, 12373 - 105 Avenue at 2:00 p.m. Interment to follow at the Edmonton Jewish Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations be made in Zane's memory to The Parkinson's Society of Alberta, 11111 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, AB, T5K 0L4, The Cross Cancer Institute, 11560 University Avenue, Edmonton, AB, T5G 3A2, or The Jewish National Fund, 7200 - 156 Street, Edmonton, AB, T5R 1X3.