



Alvin (Al) Smith

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We mourn the loss of Al Smith, husband of Sheila Smith, father of Minda (Ronald) Shaiman, Barbara Smith (Shashank Agtey) and Robert (Antoinette) Smith, brother of Murray (Rochelle) Smith, grandfather of Bryan (Katelyn) Shaiman, Gabrielle Shaiman and Michael Smith.

Alvin was the first-born son to Rachel and David. He grew up in Brooklyn and graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School, where at 15 years old, Al met the love of his life, Sheila.

He played clarinet and saxophone in the high school band with Steve Lawrence and spent summers in the Catskills, during high school summer breaks. He was also proud of his time as a DJ at a radio station WDOV Delaware.

He married Sheila in 1955. She was 2 months older than she was and he always loved to tell all who listened, she “robbed the cradle”. Al proudly served in the National Guard for 6 years. He retired as a Vice President of national manufacturing firm but always said “I’m just a salesman”. He had the gift of connecting with people and making them understand his point of view and over time, earned the nickname “Silk” Smith.

Sheila and Al spent most of their life and raised their family in NY, NJ and Penn until they retired to South Fla in 2003. Here he loved to play Poker with his Tivoli Men’s Club buddies, Blackjack at the Hard Rock Casino where his favorite past time was shooting billiards. He had an ongoing passion for all classic cars as well as futuristic automobiles.



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His family was everything to him. Fiercely devoted, passionate, husband, father, grandfather, brother, mentor and friend who will be missed dearly.


Charitable donations in Al's memory can be made to : The Foundation for Peripheral Neuropathy
<https://www.foundationforpn.org/>





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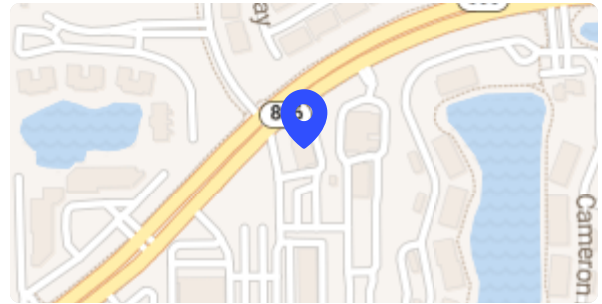
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Memorial Service

 **Tuesday**, February 16, 2021

 1:30 PM ET

 **Beth Israel Memorial Chapel Delray Beach**
5808 W. Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach FL 33484





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Phyllis Bochman posted:

Dear Shaiman family We are so sorry to hear this news. Sending our love and prayers for all at this difficult time. We'll remember the fun and vibrant personality of Al. May his memory be a blessing. Much Love, Phyllis and Abe Bochman

February 17 at 7:00 AM



Murray Smith shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I remember this moment trying to draw a portrait of my brother

February 16 at 2:36 PM



Gabrielle Shaiman shared a video to the **Memories Album** album.

February 16 at 7:21 AM



Vivian Velazquez lit a candle in honor of Alvin.

February 16 at 6:41 AM



Marilyn & Irwin H. sent a sympathy card to the Smith family.

February 15 at 1:09 PM



Marilyn Demartini posted:

I was so pleased to have the opportunity to meet Alvin if only once. His radiant smile will be missed by all who knew him!

February 15 at 6:33 AM



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Herbert Stein posted:

February 14 at 11:11 AM



Michael Lichtenstein February 16 at 10:59 AM

I remember Alvin's smile and his sense of humor. Many of you may remember his love for dancing. When I was a young boy, Alvin and Sheila visited my parents (Aaron and Gloria Lichtenstein), and he showed me how Chubby Checker did the twist. He had style and knew how to live life to the fullest. His family values were obviously passed on to his children and others. Although we did not see each other much in the past many years, I will always remember and cherish our family bond. I am sorry for your loss, and I wish you all much love and support at this time.



Gloria Lichtenstein February 16 at 10:54 AM

This is a message to the Smith family from your Aunt Gloria (Lichtenstein) in Rhode Island. Alvin will be missed by so many of his family and friends.



Marcy Bratman February 16 at 10:43 AM

Our heartfelt condolences to Sheila, Minda (Ronald) Shaiman, Barbara Smith (Shashank Agtey) and Robert (Antoinette) Smith, brother of Murray (Rochelle) Smith, grandfather of Bryan (Katelyn) Shaiman, Gabrielle Shaiman and Michael Smith. May Al's memories bring you peace and comfort during this difficult time. With love, Marcy Bratman & Mark Samarel.



Herbert Stein February 16 at 9:36 AM

Mindela, you're welcome. Focus on the good times and memories you've all shared with your dad to ease you through your grieving. We all had a good time that day and that is how he'll be remembered for me. --- Herb



Minda Shaiman February 15 at 6:56 PM

Thank you Herb ❤️

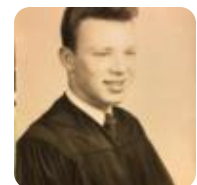


Herbert Stein posted:

February 14 at 10:10 AM



Beth Israel Memorial Chapel shared an album called **Memories Album**.



February 14 at 4:22 AM



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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