



# David Alan Derby

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**D**avid Alan Derby, age 81, of Tavares, Florida was sent to his eternal home on Friday, December 19, 2025 due to a long battle with heart disease.

David was predeceased by his beloved parents Willett and Phyllis Derby of Salisbury, Maryland. David had one brother Willett Jr. (Bill) who passed away in 1988. Bill's wife Elaine Derby passed in 2022. His nephews Bruce & Glenn Derby reside in Florida.

David graduated from Wicomico High School and enlisted in the United States Army in 1962. After training he was stationed in West Berlin, Germany. He also served in the Vietnam War. He was a proud veteran and honorably discharged in 1972.

He spent over 20 years as a respected Financial Planner. He was dedicated to his position of Sr. Relationship Manager at PSA Finance in Hunt Valley, Maryland. On Saturday mornings he hosted a radio show focusing on planning and wealth management options. He received many awards and recognitions for his outstanding performance in helping his clients.

His love for boating was a source of happiness and joy. He spent many weekends aboard the "Liquid Assets" on the Chesapeake Bay. He and his wife Betty were members of The Maryland Yacht Club located in Pasadena, Maryland before retiring to Florida. His wife of 48 years, Elizabeth (Betty) Derby passed away in 2019.

Another passion he had was his motorcycle. He had many friends in both Maryland and Florida that shared his love for the open road.

David will be lovingly remembered by his companion Carol Hanna who touched his life with her unwavering kindness and love. He will be greatly missed by his friends in the retirement community of Lake Francis Estates.



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David leaves behind his only child Daniela Fuller (Tim) and grandchildren Sara & Ben of Chapin, South Carolina. Also, his niece Samantha Draper (Todd) and their children Will & Susan of Houston, Texas. He has many cousins, nieces and one nephew.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to any charity of your choice. As per David's request no funeral or memorial service will be held



# Tribute Wall

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**Madison Colpitts** posted:

David was a loyal subscriber for the Bay Street Players. It was always a joy seeing him come into our theatre and watch our shows. Our Box Office Manager, Madison, will miss his smile and kindness on Saturday evenings at the theatre. Our thoughts are with Carol, as well as David's family and other loved ones. Thank you for supporting us throughout the years, and putting a smile on our face, David!-The Bay Street Players

March 15 at 2:01 PM



**Cindy Ewing** sent a virtual gift in honor of David.

Dave was a dear friend, I rode motorcycles with him on Tuesday ,Saturday and sometimes on a weds. He was a kind soul with a dry sense of humor. I always received a phone call on my birthday, he made it special for me. He did that with all his friends. He will be deeply missed.R.I.P. my friend much love and appreciation for your friendship. Cindy Ewing



January 2 at 3:43 PM



**Pamela Hunt** posted:

I didn't know David well, but I knew him and Bette from Maryland Yacht Club, and our paths crossed several times. We always had nice conversations during the events there. I'm very sorry for your loss. Dave & Bette were very nice people.

December 27 at 1:29 PM



**Nancy Kampnich** lit a candle in honor of David.

David and I became friends in Lake Frances when he asked me to join the Finance Committee over ten years ago. We remained friends to the very end. He befriended my family; we all enjoyed dining out and David's sense of humor. Carol, Cindy and I went to Alto to have lunch with Dave, the last day he was able to get out of bed. I miss him already.Nancy KampnichLFE resident



December 25 at 11:42 PM



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**Julie Finney** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



David was a mentor and friend who introduced me to PSA Financial in 1997. His good humor and friendly nature was infectious. We visited with David and Carol in Florida in 2023 and they visited us at our Delaware home in 2024. David will be missed by many and remembered fondly by all. This picture was from 2024 with my husband Jim. David had his signature Crocs on all the time 🤪

December 23 at 5:25 PM



**D Fuller** January 13 at 7:56 AM

Thank you Julie! He is greatly missed.



**Jamie Lorton** posted:

Our memories of David are around the many years we spent in North Carolina at Oak Island. Quite a few different beach houses would be rented, usually around the 4th of July. Friends would gather from Atlanta, Fayetteville, South Carolina, Fuquay-Varina, Ohio and even Oak Island for a week of fireworks, food (lots of food, fresh made pies), porch sitting, porch drinking and just catching up and checking on each other. We've had weddings, new babies and sad to say even a few funerals on our Island. We were able to meet David's family since they also came around the 4th. He was a great grandpa and so proud of Sarah and Ben. We'll always remember the laughs, stories of past years that would be shared and his smile. He had a great smile. Butch @ Jamie Lorton Woodstock, GA

December 21 at 8:31 AM



**D Fuller** January 13 at 7:46 AM

Thank you Jamie & Butch. We had some great times on the porch! Looking at some photos recently of all the men in their red, white & blue crocs!



**Media**

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# Memories only last if you share them

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



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