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MILLER, GEORGE

MILLER, GEORGE 68, of Massachusetts and Providence, died suddenly Sunday in Chatham, MA. He was the beloved husband of Mary (Pierson) Miller.



Born in Fall River, a son of the late Max and Dena (Gordon) Miller, he was a graduate of Brown University and served in the US Army. Mr. Miller spent most of his professional life in the life insurance industry, starting with Mutual Benefit Life in 1967, becoming President of the Mutual Benefit Trust Company in 1986. He was a founding partner of Financial Architect Partners, which now has offices in Boston, Providence and Richmond, VA serving clients countrywide.

An active and committed leader in the Rhode Island community, Mr. Miller served on many boards. He was Past Board Chairman of Meeting Street Center and led an early, successful capital campaign for the Center. In 1999 he was honored by Meeting Street as an "Unsung Hero". He served on the Board of the Jewish Federation and was a founder and President of Temple Habonim in Barrington.

Active for many years in Hospice Care of RI, he served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for five years. In 1996 he was awarded the honor of Philanthropist of the Year in RI by the National Association of Fund Raising Executives (N.S.F.R.E.). Mr. Miller was a member of Temple Beth El and the University Club.

He is survived by a daughter Susan Miller of Providence, a son Charles T. (Deborah) Miller of Barrington, a step-daughter Allison (Raymond) Clark also of Barrington, a step-daughter Elizabeth (Mark) Plansky of Norwell, MA and a step-son Franklin Fitz of Providence. He leaves eight grandchildren Nicholas, Harrison, Theodore, Samantha, Katherine, Madeline, William and Caroline, a brother Jay G. Miller of Columbus, Ohio and 5 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 10:00 A.M. in Temple Beth El, with burial to follow in Forest Chapel Cemetery, Barrington. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice Care of RI or Meeting Street Center. The family was assisted with the arrangements by Sugarman-Sinai Memorial Chapel.