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Don Rosenthal, beloved for his bright smile and contagious energy, passed away peacefully in his home, surrounded by family, on August 15, 2025. Don was a Miami native, born on December 28, 1950, to his loving parents, Herschel and Marjorie Rosenthal. He was the oldest of three children – a proud brother to Alan (Natalie) Rosenthal and Gail Appelrouth.

After graduating from Miami Senior High School in 1968, Don moved to New York City to explore an acting career but soon returned to Miami to enlist in the United States Coast Guard. After proudly serving his country for six years, Don was honorably discharged in 1976. He then began his 40-year career in the mortgage insurance industry, beginning with the Republic Mortgage Insurance Company. Don's energetic personality, charm, and ability to relate to anyone led him to become No. 1 in sales in the country and a role model for the industry. After 30 years with RMIC, Don spent the rest of his career with Essent Group Ltd., before retiring in 2018. Many of Don's colleagues and customers became lifelong friends, a testament to the dedication and heart he brought to his work.

Don is survived by his beloved wife of 35 years, Monique; his three children, Matthew Rosenthal, Evan (Fernanda) Rosenthal and Paige (Mitch) Hyman; his grandchildren, Jordan Rosenthal and Shay Hyman; and many nieces, nephews and cousins, along with countless friends and colleagues. Don lived each day to the fullest with laughter, love and joy. He cherished his family and all the friends who became family. Don loved connecting with people, whether through work, playing tennis or golf, working out at the Alper JCC, or spending time with his loved ones. He was known as "the life of the party," always making people laugh and ensuring they felt valued and important.

Don's love for people inspired his lifelong mission to give back to his community. Notably, in partnership with the Mortgage Bankers Association of South Florida, Don spent over 30 years as the iconic Jewish Santa Claus at Jackson Memorial Hospital, delivering gifts and joy to every child



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during the holiday season. In his later years, he continued this effort by reading to the children at Holtz Children's Hospital.

Don's life was a life well lived. His radiant smile, positive energy, silly demeanor, and strong character will be forever remembered by all who knew him. May Don's memory be a blessing that lives on through the love of his family and friends. We will miss him so much.

Donations can be made in Don's honor to the Dave and Mary Alper JCC, <https://www.alperjcc.org> or the Holtz Children's Hospital through Jackson Health Foundation, <https://jhf@jhsmiami.org>. A Temple Service will be held on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at Temple Beth Am, 5950 N. Kendall Drive, Pinecrest, FL 33156. Arrangements by Levitt-Weinstein Blasberg-Rubin-Zilbert Memorial Chapel, (305) 932-2700.



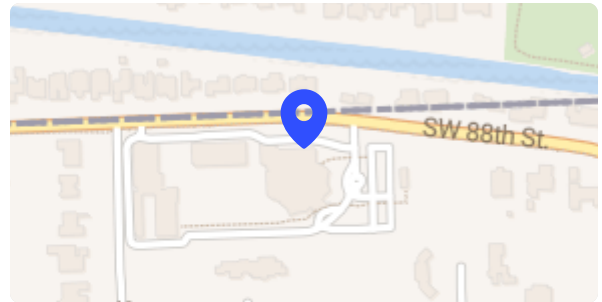
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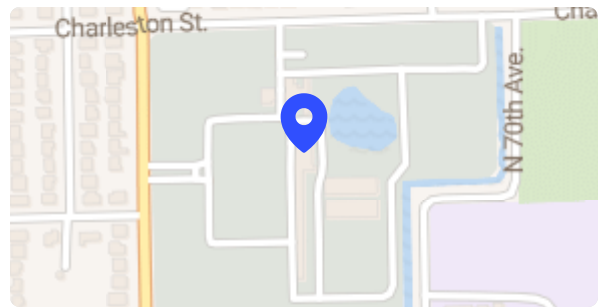
Temple Service

- Wednesday**, August 20, 2025
- 10:00 AM ET
- Temple Beth Am**
5950 N. Kendall Drive, Pinecrest FL 33156



Cemetery Details

- Beth David Memorial Gardens**
3201 North 72nd Avenue, Hollywood FL 33024
- (754) 201-4134**





Tribute Wall

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K

Kevin Glennon posted:

There is so much I could say about Don, but there is not enough space. I had the pleasure of meeting Don and his wonderful family through his sister Gail "Gitel " who was and is a close college friend from 1973. I had the pleasure of being invited to the various Rosenthal/Appelrouth milestones. I always enjoyed being around Donnie. He was one of a kind. He was funny and generous. My sympathy to Monique, Evan, Matthew, Paige, Shay and Jordan and the Rosenthal family for your loss. He'll be sorely missed. Kevin C Glennon, Hartford, Connecticut

August 19 at 10:28 PM

B

Brent Belch shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Donnie meant so much to all our family. On his visits to rmic's home office in North Carolina, Donnie would always spend a night with us. Our girls loved him for all the same reasons everyone else loved him. The twins could not pronounce Rosenthal so they called him Donnie Arkansas! They couldn't wait for uncle Donnie Rosenthal to visit ! Love you man . Brent and Cindy



August 19 at 4:15 PM

G

Greg Gentile posted:

As a friend of Donnie's for over 40 years, the abundance of memories will be with me for the rest of my life. However, one of my funniest moments with Donnie involved a hot dog. We both ordered a hot dog for lunch before we headed out for a round of golf. I squeezed the mustard onto the top of the hot dog and spun it around so the mustard was on the bottom. Donnie looked at me in amazement as if I had invented electricity as he told me that it would have never occurred to him to spin the hot dog. We both started laughing uncontrollably and I only hope that, each time going forward, when he had a hot dog, he followed my lead. I love you Donnie and will miss you more than words could ever express. RIP 🙏🙏🙏. Greg Gentile

August 18 at 11:30 PM

SS

Steven Schwartzman posted:

Donny was the "energy " that lit up the room his energy and his spirit was amazing 🐱!!!Just a zest for life This is truly a loss not only a loss to his family but this world was a happier place with him in it Not much else to say but may he memory be a blessing Steve Schwartzman and family

August 18 at 3:48 PM



Media

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