

IN LOVING
memory



Alan David Podis, MD

*'Your presence is missed, Your memories we treasure,
Loving you always, Forgetting you never.'*

December 4, 1929 - December 1, 2022



Dr. Alan David Podis of Palmetto, FL, and previously of Smithfield, RI, passed away, surrounded by his family, on December 1, 2022 at Sarasota Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

Born December 4, 1929, in Cleveland, Ohio, he received a Bachelor of Science from Ohio State University in 1952 and a Doctor of Medicine from Case Western Reserve University in 1956. He trained in Urology and Surgery at the medical centers of Indiana University and the University of Rochester in New York, and then served three years in the Army as a physician and surgeon.

After 23 years of private practice in Hollywood, FL, he relocated to Providence, Rhode Island, where he practiced within a Health Maintenance Organization. Subsequently, he was a Clinical Assistant Professor of Urology at Brown University School of Medicine and taught urology for 16 years at The Rhode Island Hospital and the Providence Veterans Administration Medical Center.

In 2012 he was honored by his residents and students and received the first of a newly-established annual award: the ALAN D. PODIS M.D. TEACHING AWARD. Dr. Podis loved to teach and did so until age 87. The years of academic practice with the Brown University Medical Faculty and the fine physicians of University Urological Associates were the most rewarding and satisfying of his professional career. Upon retirement, Brown University awarded him an Emeritus Professorship.

Dr. Podis was a kind man with a gentle soul and was an admirer of fine art, classical music and the English language. He enjoyed photography, competitive marksmanship shooting, the Trinity Rep Theater in Providence, The Rhode Island Philharmonic, and travel. He was fortunate to be able to travel extensively throughout the world and experienced a most meaningful visit to Israel.

In high school he played clarinet in the band and orchestra and studied conducting. His older sister, Eunice Podis, was an internationally-known concert pianist, performing with great orchestras in this country and abroad. She was instrumental in encouraging her brother's understanding and love of great classical music.

He leaves behind his lovely wife of 44 years, Donna Everett-Podis, and three children: Marc Podis and his wife, Dianne, of Florida; Lisa Farmer and her husband Jeff, of Florida; and Jennifer Podis and her partner, Steve Lewis, of North Carolina.

He was grandfather to: Jackson Podis of Utah; Erica Podis of New Hampshire; Benjamin Podis; Danielle McFarland and her husband Patrick; Melissa Poley and her husband Geoff; and Jenifer Chalk, all of Florida; Amy Farmer-Cerar and her husband Jeff, of New York; and Laura Baccile and her husband Josh, of Tennessee.

Although his body will be cremated his persona remains as memories within those who have loved him.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Dr. Alan D. Podis Education Fund, The Miriam Hospital Foundation, PO Box H, Providence, RI 02901. The fund will be used to support Urology Residents or Fellow Education in their research, conferences, and other related activities.

Contributions may also be made in the memory of Alan D. Podis, MD to Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra & Music School, 667 Waterman Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914.