



Abdullah "Abe" Iderman

June 12, 1934 - July 15, 2015

Abe Iderman passed away on July 15, 2015 after a three month stoic battle. He died with the same dignity as he had always lived his life.

Abe was born in Istanbul, Turkey, on June 12, 1934. Upon graduation from college, he joined the Turkish Armed Forces and fought on behalf of the United States in the Korean War. He was stationed in South Korea and Japan, serving with honors.

After returning from the war, Abe joined Pan American World Airways, the largest international air carrier at the time, rapidly rising in its ranks. Throughout his illustrious 20-plus year career at Pan Am, he was stationed all over the world, from Europe, to Africa, to North America. His devotion to the aviation industry continued with a 20 year stint as General Manager for VIP and Royal flights for Saudi Arabian Airlines in Houston.

Throughout his extraordinary career and personal life, Abe is remembered as a larger-than-life personality, an individual of great integrity, high intelligence and unmatched wit, wide-ranging world knowledge, and an insatiable desire for travel and zest for life. He communicated with dignitaries, celebrities and ordinary people alike with grace, kindness and enormous spiritual richness, generosity, and compassion!

Abe was a gifted writer, recently having his poetry published in an almanac of poetry in US. He was a prolific singer, always entertaining those around him. He spoke several languages fluently and never failed to use his gift of humor and language to amuse. He was also a proud life-long Mason. The memories and legacy he left will be with us forever!

Abe is survived by his wife Vessy Iderman. Children Can, Idil and Denis Iderman and step-daughter Helen Deian, as well as his beloved grandchildren Ryan Iderman, Alexis Iderman, Alexander Collazo-Iderman and Daniel Deian.

A memorial gathering and reception celebrating Abe's life will be held from 2 pm to 4 pm on Saturday, July 25 at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77079.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

JUL **25**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Abdullah "Abe" Iderman*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Abdullah "Abe" Iderman*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Abdullah "Abe" Iderman*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Abdullah "Abe" Iderman*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Abdullah was a larger than life personality who was always the life of the party. With is fantastic stories, beautiful poems and great singing voice, he was truly a rare spirit. We are lucky to have known you and shared good times together Abdullah abi. Mekanin Cennet olsun - Omer and Stephanie Esiner*

Omer Esiner - July 27, 2015 at 09:43 AM

CG

“ *Children and Grandchildren purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Abdullah "Abe" Iderman.*



Children and Grandchildren - July 24, 2015 at 11:37 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Dettling Funeral Home - July 23, 2015 at 07:01 PM

EP

“ *Dear Abe. You will truly be missed. You were always so kind & such a gentle soul.*

So suave , well versed, and our world traveler. You always made my day walking in the front door at the Y, with your smile and your greeting "Hello Baby". I remember when you came to the Y for the International Party where we ate, danced, and you read poems to us. From that day you had made a special place in my heart. You gave me copies of a few of your poems which I will cherish forever. God Bless you & your family. We are so sorry for your loss, Abe was a dear sweet man. Sincerely, Emily P.

Emily P - July 23, 2015 at 04:40 PM



“ 22 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Detting Funeral Home - July 23, 2015 at 04:31 PM

JK

“ We cherish the memories of You singing with your rich baritone voice at our home, the sumptuous lamb dinners you prepared at your Galveston home, the conversation along the Galveston Boardwalk and many other wonderful memories.....
Rest in peace.
Joe and Halina

Joe and Halina Kallaby - July 23, 2015 at 04:01 PM



“ *Rainbow Reflections Basket* was purchased for the family of Abdullah "Abe" Iderman.



July 23, 2015 at 12:55 PM

ER

“ 16 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Erica Rossetti - July 23, 2015 at 09:11 AM

DC

“ *My sincere condolences on your loss. Abe was a man who had experienced so many things in life but the one I believe he treasured most was the love and family he found later in his life. I will miss our conversations and his wisdom.*

David Coates

David Coates - July 22, 2015 at 06:02 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Abdullah "Abe" Iderman.*



July 22, 2015 at 05:10 PM



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Dettling Funeral Home - July 22, 2015 at 04:18 PM



“ 22 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Dettling Funeral Home - July 22, 2015 at 01:03 PM



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Dettling Funeral Home - July 20, 2015 at 04:33 PM

AE

It is hard to imagine a world without Abdullah. However, we are very fortunate that he brought much joy and color to our lives for many years. You have left a huge void behind Abdullah, but the memories will live on.....Ayse Sultan

Ayşe Esiner - July 22, 2015 at 10:59 AM

DE

I loved when Abdullah would come visit us or we would visit him growing up. It was always laughter, singing, joking, good food, and fun times. I will always cherish those memories and remember the wonderful person he was... Deniz

Deniz Esiner - July 22, 2015 at 11:54 AM

IC

I had the pleasure to met him at the YMCA, I enjoyed his conversations, very brilliant man, it was always smiling, I will remember him and keep in mind what he told me one day, "Irma you have to be proud of your country " when you start to live in another. Rest in peace my dear friend.

Irma Correa

Irma Correa - July 23, 2015 at 01:20 AM

OE

I have known Abdullah since 1968. He was with Pan Am and I was with Alitalia. When he was transferred to Africa I joined TWA and moved to NYC in 1979. Our paths crossed again in NY and we quickly picked up from where we left off.

We were friends for the good times as well as the bad times.

Whenever I was at a party and saw a group of people having a great time, I knew Abdullah was there either telling one of his jokes or reciting one of his poems. I know I am going to miss him a lot. And I also know wherever he is now, he is surrounded by a group of Angels who are enjoying his jokes and his poems.

Abdullah Abicim, mekanin Cennet olsun! Oray

Oray Esiner - July 23, 2015 at 12:28 PM

HE

MY condolences. I apologize for this being late but I only found out recently. May he rest in peace and may Allah open his heavens for him. I worked with Mr Iderman close to 30 years ago for Saudia at JFK. He always gave me good advice and treated me like his son.

Hazem Elsawaf - November 14, 2018 at 07:37 PM



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Dettling Funeral Home - July 20, 2015 at 04:21 PM