



CAMPBELL, LEAS, long-time Miami resident and Louisiana native, died May 25, 2010 of pneumonia at Baptist Hospital. Campbell, a graduate of Germantown Academy and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, also served in the US Marines. In 1967, Campbell moved to Miami where he became an early pioneer in the live music concert industry. A May 19, 1974 Miami Herald "Tropic Magazine" cover feature story crowned Leas as Miami's King of Rock 'n Roll. In the '70's he presented more than 2000 concerts throughout the United States working with music legends including Elvis, Led Zeppelin, The Rolling Stones, Elton John, Neil Young, and The Allman Brothers Band. His company, Leas Campbell Presents, was frequently heard over the Miami radio airwaves. He created concert venues out of local facilities including the Miami Jai Alai Fronton, The Sportatorium, and Pirates World. During the 1980's Campbell pursued projects in television, music video and artist management. In the 1990's he returned to promoting live concerts, presenting throughout the country such great performers as The Moody Blues, Tina Turner, Crosby Stills and Nash, and Bob Dylan. Campbell received numerous accolades and awards for his shows. Campbell will be remembered not only for his contribution to the Music Industry, but also for his many decades of service to those suffering from drug and alcohol addiction. Leas Campbell is survived by his long-time companion Deborah Soodhalter of Miami, FL, his sister Bonnie Campbell Troutman of Little Rock, AR, and his niece and her husband Laura and Randall Green of Greenville, SC and their children and grandchildren. His son, Leas Hope Campbell, died of leukemia in 1990. A Celebration of Life is planned for Sunday, May 30th at 2:00pm in the Coral Room, 1100 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Coral Gables. Burial will be in Branson, MO with details pending. View this Guest Book at www.MiamiHerald.com/obituaries