

DAVID MILLER  
NAA President 1974

Remembrances by Rolf Valtin  
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Non-lawyer, full-time Detroit arbitrator. Highly regarded by all who ever knew him for his high competence and integrity without any element of a stuffed shirt. Hard worker with prodigious output but not a scholar, though his friendship with a leading legal scholar, Ben Aaron, was long and deep.

I have always taken the view that our Founders and others who came out of the War Labor Board were the first generation of arbitrators, and those who followed in their footsteps were the second generation arbitrators. Dave Miller was the first from among the second generation to become an Academy President (with the unreserved acclaim of all in the second generation). He died at a young age (55 after a series of heart attacks and while in office as Academy President). The huge respect and deep fondness for the man are shown in the eulogies appearing at the beginning of the volume covering the Academy's 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting.