



David Ira Yedlin

November 21, 1954 - August 25, 2026

Dayton, Ohio

David Ira Yedlin died in Dayton on August 25, 2026. He was seventy-one. Born there on November 21, 1954, he grew up above a shop his uncle still called the shop, and he learned a tool crib before he learned a campus. A gauge, he said, is a story that has to be true twice: once for the person and once for the machine.

He spent twenty-nine years as a tool-room clerk, walking aisles after a rush and kitchens after a pan left on a burner at home. He did not enjoy the work the way a man usually enjoys a hobby. He enjoyed finishing it correctly. He would not let a widow be rushed. He would not let a contractor invent a cathedral ceiling. After a bad afternoon he sat in the car with the radio off until his hands were quiet.

He married Ellen Yedlin in 1980. They raised a daughter in a two-family that needed storm windows and a son who needed a ride to Hebrew school at hours no one should be awake. Ellen taught piano. David packed lunches and considered a Sunday bagel a civic obligation. After he retired he read the paper with a pencil and argued, fondly, with the letters page.

Friends remember a man who showed up to help move a dryer as if that were the natural use of a Saturday, who could explain a tolerance without making it a sermon, and who kept one good coat. He loved a quiet gallery at the art institute, a cup of coffee that was never quite hot enough, and the river when it looked like metal. He died in Dayton, the tool city he refused to narrate as a punch line. The crib is closed. The fairness he practiced there is harder to replace than a bin number.

Services

A memorial in Dayton. A gift to a tool-and-learning fund or the public library suits him.

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