

Late Breaking News

Dr. J. Davidson Frame leaves a lasting Legacy

PMI Fellow, award winning former PMI director and founder of University of Management and Technology has passed away in November

3 January 2024 – Washington, DC and Dallas, TX, USA – The Project Management Institute (PMI) has announced that former director and PMI Fellow J. Davidson Frame passed away on 19 November 2023.



According to PMI CEO Pierre Le Manh, “David was a member of PMI’s community since the 1990s, serving on PMI’s Board of Directors as an appointed director of certification, director of educational services, and director-at-large. He was awarded PMI’s Outstanding Person of the Year Award, Distinguished Service Award, and PMI Fellow Award.

David spent much of his professional career educating others and supporting life-long learning in the field of project management. He was an active thought leader in project management, the decision sciences, and technology management, having written eight management books and more than 25 scholarly articles.

David served as academic dean and chief academic officer at the University of Management and Technology in Virginia, USA. He also served on the faculty of George Washington University, where he established a project management degree program.

I have sent my condolences to his loved ones, including his wife YanPing (also a PMI Fellow and volunteer), and know that his contributions to the profession and PMI will continue to impact project professionals for years to come.

We will honor David with attendance at his memorial service, acknowledge his contributions on the In Memoriam webpage on PMI.org, and will send flowers on behalf of PMI. In addition, the PMI Educational Foundation (PMI EF) will appropriately administer a scholarship in David’s name.

David made a powerful impact and lasting legacy on the project management profession and community, and he will surely be missed.

With deepest sympathies!”

Editor’s note: David Frame was a friend and colleague to me and many PMWJ honorary advisors and stakeholders. He was one of the most admired and respected senior leaders in PMI and the PM professional world. His passing is extremely sad and shocking. This notice is to inform our readers of his passing. We will publish a broader tribute in the February edition; if you want to contribute a statement or remembrance, please send email to me at editor@peworldjournal.com.