

Stearns Weaver Miller Mourns the Loss of Partner Vin Marchetti

TAMPA, FL — March 22, 2021 — It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of our Shareholder [Vin Marchetti](#). Vin, who succumbed to cancer on March 21, 2021 at the age of 64, was respected by all who he represented and all who knew him. He was a consummate leader and a mentor to countless young adults throughout the community.

“This is a tremendous loss. Vin was an invaluable member of our Firm and the Tampa Bay community, a loving husband and father, and a cherished friend. He was a man of faith and he shared that faith in a way that encouraged all of us to be better people. He will be truly missed and always remembered for his character, integrity, and commitment to making a positive difference,” said Eugene Stearns.

An enthusiastic leader, Vin was a member of the Firm’s Board of Directors and was instrumental in growing and solidifying the footprint of the Firm’s Land Development group in Tampa. His career spanned over 30 years in land use, zoning, permitting, land use litigation, government affairs, and economic development. Vin was steadfastly dedicated to his clients and involved in countless projects that helped transform Tampa and that will have a lasting impact on the region. He was recognized in *Chambers USA*, *The Best Lawyers in America*, and *Florida Trend’s* Florida Legal Elite.

As an active member of the community, Vin served on the Tampa Sports Authority (TSA) Board of Directors for the past 20 years. He was recently honored by the TSA for his tenure, which included serving as Chairman and being the longest serving TSA Board member. In addition to a dedicated seat and placard in Raymond James Stadium, Vin received a [tribute video](#) from representatives of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, New York Yankees, City and County officials, and other community leaders expressing their gratitude for his years of service.

When he was not working, Vin was dedicated to his family, including his wife, Laura, his son, Andrew, and most recently Andrew’s wife, Nicolette. In 2006, the Marchettis tragically lost their daughter, Katlyn “Katie”, in a car accident. In the years following, Vin and Laura worked tirelessly to support seat belt legislation and education campaigns in local schools. In May 2009, the Dori Slosberg and Katie Marchetti Safety Belt Law passed, requiring that all drivers, front passengers and passengers under 18 wear seat belts. Less than a year after the passage of the law, the death rate of teenage drivers and passengers in Florida dropped more than 20 percent.

Vin, you will always be remembered.