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S. Florida mourns AIDS toll Vigils remember victims worldwide

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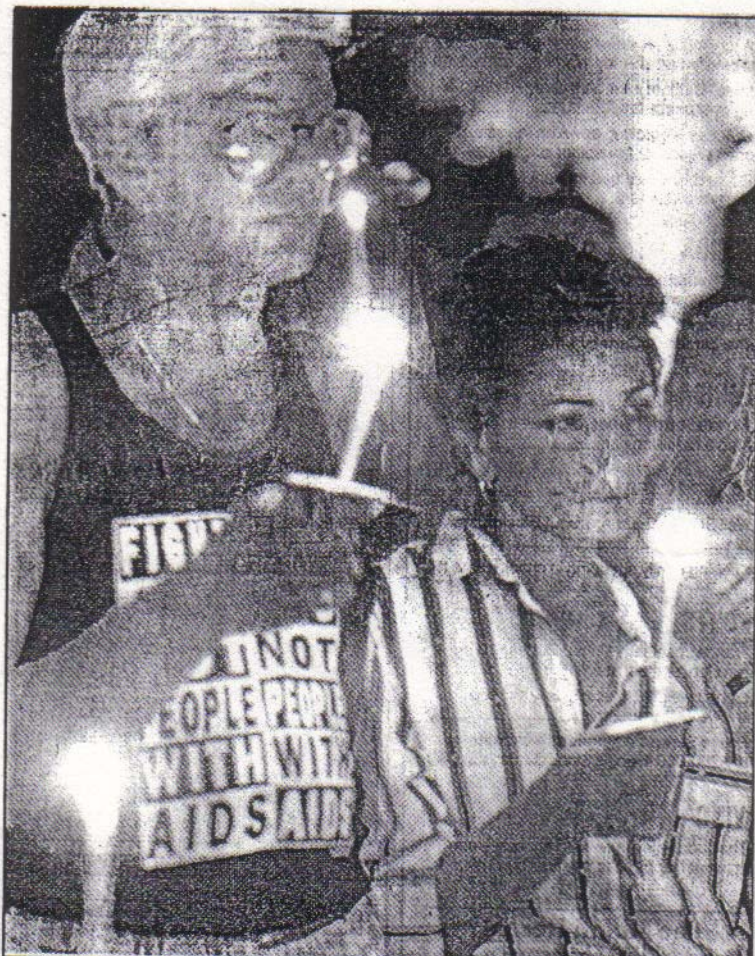
On Sunday night at 7:45 p.m., the lights of the AmeriFirst Building went out. Then First Union Bank blinked into blackness, the Inter-Continental Hotel, even the neon outlining the Metrorail.

For 15 minutes, downtown Miami joined New York and San Francisco, Austin and Chicago in commemoration of World AIDS Day, the 130,000 Americans dead of AIDS — and the estimated one million HIV-infected feared to be following them.

Seven hundred South Floridians gathered for Miami's Third Annual World AIDS Day Interfaith Memorial Service watched the lights flicker out as they were led in the Naming of the Names of the dead.

"A memorial, in its true Hebrew sense, means remembering so strongly as to make present again every mother's son, every son's mother, every lover, every spouse, every friend, everyone who died unloved and unnamed," the Rev. John O'Hara told the hushed crowd. At dusk, parents pushing baby carriages, friends pushing the sick in wheelchairs, young white men, older black couples and Hispanic families had filed silently into the amphitheater at Bayfront Park holding candles.

"This is a vigil in which we watch in the night for an enemy that has already made too many advances," O'Hara said. "In this vigil, we wait



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VIGIL: Fred Smith and Mary Anderson, at Stranahan Park AIDS rally in Fort Lauderdale.

PLEASE SEE AIDS, 8A

Illustration by AL DIAZ / Miami Herald Staff

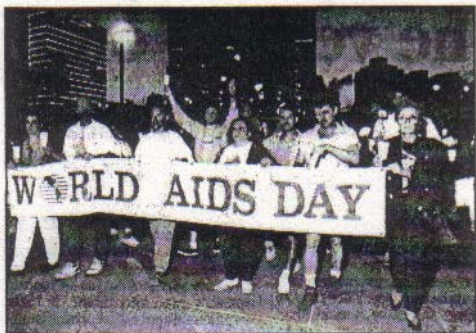
ld War II and today.

because there was a solid sheet of fire between us and the island.

"So we had to swim under water and come up and use our arms to push the flames aside and take a breath and go under again. After we got on Ford Island, we saw the guys who were burned all black and they would speak to you and they would die later. Because they were blackened by the burns and they had no features, no eyebrows, no hair, it was eerie. Who is that? I recognize the voice, but who is that?"

"I was not injured, but it was reported by telegram that I was missing in action, presumed killed. I still have the telegram. They sent it to my parents, and a small insurance company paid off on my policy. I think it was \$500.

"I had written to my parents that I was OK, but they didn't get the letter until months later. Then, the insurance company wanted the money back, but my parents said, 'Sorry. We spent it.'



MARICE COHN BAND / Miami Herald Staff

MARCH AGAINST AIDS: Bearing candles and banners, A Night Without Light participants walk near Bayfront Park.

Hundreds join in Miami AIDS vigil

Dead remembered as lights dim

AIDS, FROM 1A

for the light of a new tomorrow."

Just as the lights of downtown Miami were scheduled to flicker back on, a glowing sphere of light suspended from a helicopter flew into the crowd waiting by the shore of Biscayne Bay: "A Sphere of Life," its designer Allen Brock dubbed it.

Dec. 1 has been set aside as World AIDS Day since 1988. This year, with nine to 10 million people infected with HIV worldwide, people in more than 160 countries marked the occasion with demonstrations, educational campaigns, memorial services and fund-raisers.

In Moscow, members of the Russian Union of Gays and Lesbians passed out free, U.S.-made condoms in front of Moscow City Hall. In Portugal, Lisbon University pharmacy students distributed condoms at shopping centers. In India, a group of prostitutes' children waving banners saying "Don't give AIDS to our mothers!" distributed free condoms outside Bombay's largest train station.

At Tel Aviv University, a quilt bearing the names of Israeli AIDS victims was displayed. In Paris, a Christmas tree was hung

'It is time for us to forget worrying about how people got the illness and worry about solving the illness.'

MAYOR XAVIER SUAREZ,
at Bayfront Park

them.

Earlier in the day, dozens lined up at the Broward Main Library to see pieces of the national AIDS quilt. Today, a rock band called RISK will hand out condoms at three Broward County high schools — Stranahan, St. Anthony's and South Broward — before school and during lunch.

In St. Petersburg, red ribbons were handed out at the Salvador Dali museum and other galleries for the annual Day Without Art. In Miami that day will be celebrated this weekend.

Toll rises

The World Health Organization estimates that by the turn of the century, more than 30 million people across the planet will be infected with HIV, that more than 12 million will be sick