In Memoriam: Nils Hasselmo

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Nils Hasselmo, who served as senior vice president for academic affairs and provost at the University of Arizona, died in January at the age of 87.

Hasselmo was appointed by Henry Koffler, then UA president, in 1983. Hasselmo left the UA in 1988 to become president of the University of Minnesota. He retired from that post in 1997 and assumed the presidency of the Association of American Universities, an association of major research universities of which the UA is a member.

"He was an outstanding leader and scholar as well as being a kind and gentle man," AAU President Mary Sue Coleman wrote in a message to AAU member institutions.

According to an article in the Star Tribune, a Minneapolis newspaper, Hasselmo is survived by his second wife, Ann, three children, a stepdaughter, six grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and a great-grandchild who was born shortly before he died.

Hasselmo was preceded in death by his first wife, Patricia, who died in 2000.

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