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# **Bob Saget dies at 65**

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- "Full House" star Bob Saget died on Sunday, his family confirmed in a statement to CNN. He was 65.
- There is no evidence of drug use or foul play in his death, according to the medical examiner's office. A cause of death has not yet been determined.
- Saget was found dead in a hotel room on Sunday at the Ritz-Carlton Orlando, Grande Lakes, according to the sheriff's Office.

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# Police report reveals Bob Saget's family contacted hotel security after being unable to reach him

From CNN's Amy Simonson

Family members for actor Bob Saget contacted hotel security with the Orlando Ritz Carlton Hotel Sunday when they were unable to reach him, setting into motion the discovery of the dead actor in his hotel room, according to an incident report released by the Orange county Police Department.

A member of hotel security was sent to Saget's room after the call. According to the report, that employee knocked several times and attempted to gain entry. When the hotel security team entered, they found all the lights off in the room.

Saget, who died in an Orlando hotel room Sunday, was found in his bed with his left arm across his chest and his right arm resting on the bed with no signs of trauma, according to the incident report.

According to the report, "Mr. Saget used his room key to enter the room at 02:17 hours" on Sunday.

According to the report obtained by CNN, Deputy Adrian Gonzalez responded to a call From the Ritz Carlton in reference to a "Man Down."

"I was provided information by dispatch that a male was found unresponsive and not

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According to the report, Orange County Fire Rescue was already on scene and pronounced the male deceased shortly after the deputy's arrival.

The report said that OCFR declared the male, later identified as Bob Saget, deceased at 16:18 hours (4:18 p.m. local time).

Crime scene tape was placed, and the deputy began his investigation, according to the report.

"My BWC (Body Worn Camera) was activated while I checked the immediate area for signs of foul play," Gonzalez said in the report. "It should be noted none were found."

"The room itself was orderly with items owned by Mr. Saget on the nightstand, television stand, closet and bathroom," Gonzalez said in the report.

According to the report, Saget was due to check out of his room Sunday and his family had been unable to reach him.

After consulting their legal team, hotel management after were the ones who informed the actor's wife, Kelly Rizzo, over the phone of his death.



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# No evidence of drug use or foul play in Bob Saget death, medical examiner says

From CNN's Amy Simonson

The Orange County Medical Examiner's Office performed an autopsy Monday morning on Bob Saget, according to the statement.

There is no evidence of drug use or foul play in the death of Saget, who was found dead in an Orlando hotel room Sunday, according to a statement released by the medical examiner's office.



"At this time, there is no evidence of drug use or foul play," Chief Medical Examiner Joshua Stephany said in a statement released to CNN.

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### The Olsen twins pay tribute to their TV dad

From CNN's Lisa Respers France



Ashley Olsen, left, and Mary-Kate Olsen pose for photos in 2019. (Dimitrios Kambouris/Getty Images)

Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen are paying tribute to their TV dad.

The twins, who as youngsters shared the role of Michelle Tanner on the hit sitcom "Full House," mourned the loss of Bob Saget, who died suddenly Sunday at the age of 65.

Saget played the family patriarch on the series, which ran for eight seasons beginning in 1987.

"Bob was the most loving, compassionate and generous man. We are deeply saddened that he is no longer with us but know that he will continue to be by our side to guide us as

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Saget went on to reprise his role in the Netflix sequel "Fuller House." The show ran from 2016 to 2020.

And while the Olsens have left acting and now helm a fashion empire, they remained close to Saget, whom they met when they started on "Full House" as infants.

"Ashley and Mary-Kate, I love so much," he said in 2021 during an appearance on Inside of You With Michael Rosenbaum's podcast. "When I'm in New York or when they're here, when we can, we see each other."

CNN has reached out to reps for the Olsens.



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# "Full House" fans gather outside the Tanner house to pay tribute to Bob Saget

Fans gathered outside the famous town home in San Francisco where "Full House" was filmed, leaving flowers and signs of affection for actor Bog Saget who died on Sunday.

"It's sad news. He was the dad of the '90s for everyone. Loved the show, not just 'Full House' but everything that he did," one fan told CNN.

Another fan told CNN that Saget was a "cultural icon" who raised a generation of Americans.

"He raised a generation throughout the country. I think he left a big impact on people as children, at the Tanner family, and then as adults as Bob Saget and his comedy career as well. I think he touched a lot of people and he was a cultural icon," a fan told CNN.

Saget's character in "Full House" was also significant at the time as he played a single dad with all the complexity and that character brought, CNN's Senior Media Correspondent Brian Stelter explained.

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# Gilbert Gottfried on Bob Saget's death: "I'm still waiting for the punch line" to say "it was all a joke"



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(CNN)

Comedian Gilbert Gottfried says he is still in shock about the death of his longtime friend, Bob Saget, adding that he had talked to him just a few days ago.

Speaking of his conversation with Saget, Gottfried said, "the minute anything seemed to become at all sincere or serious or heartfelt, immediately, we turn it to bad taste, and outrageousness."

He added:

"I remember in particular for a while, we started sending emails to each other, and then we both had an idea, let's put all these emails together, and make it into a book. Then his manager read the emails and said, 'no, the public is not seeing this.' And that was kind of like talking to Bob."

He found out about Saget's death via comedian Jeff Ross.

"He said, "sad news, Bob Saget has died.' I always enjoy a sick joke, and so I was waiting for the punch line. And then that didn't come. Now I feel like it's a day later, I'm still waiting for the punch line to happen, to say 'no, it was all a joke.' Because yeah, everybody liked Bob," Gottfried told CNN.

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# Comedian George Wallace: "I wish everybody had a friend like Saget"



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(CNN)

Comedian George Wallace, who was a longtime friend of Bob Saget, said he wished everyone had a friend like Bob Saget.

"The more I think about him, the more I would start to laugh," he told CNN. "A family guy he was, but the filthiest mouth on this planet. When he gets to heaven, they're going to have to change their agenda to let him in. I loved this guy. I wished everybody knew him."

### Saget died at 65 on Sunday.

"We both have been busy. We talked every three months. But he's the kind of friend you talk to on the phone and you go right back to the same conversation you were talking about three months ago. Just absolutely just the funniest man in the world," Wallace said about Saget.

"He's gone, but we will never ever forget Bob Saget," he added.

Wallace also remembered Saget's parents.

Saget "came from good people. I was at his home for dinner," Wallace said. "His daddy was crazy. His mom Dolly would always say 'you talk so filthy.' And his dad would say 'do it, do it, do it.' She would tell him to be clean, his dad would egg him on."

"I just talked to him on the phone two months ago. What a great guy. Just a lovely friend,"

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### Bob Saget's family: "He was everything to us"

The family of actor and comedian Bob Saget, who died Sunday at age 65, is remembering the "love and laughter" that he "brought to the world."

"We are devastated to confirm that our beloved Bob passed away today," the Saget family said in a statement to CNN. "He was everything to us and we want you to know how much he loved his fans, performing live and bringing people from all walks of life together with laughter."

"Though we ask for privacy at this time, we invite you to join us in remembering the love and laughter that Bob brought to the world," they added.



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### **Tributes pour in for Bob Saget from friends**

Actor and comedian Bob Saget's friends are paying their tributes after he was found dead in a hotel room on Sunday at the Ritz-Carlton Orlando, Grande Lakes, according to a statement from the Orange County Sheriff's Office. He was 65.

His "Full House" co-star Stamos expressed his grief over the loss of his friend and former colleague on Sunday.

"I am broken. I am gutted," Stamos wrote on Twitter. "I am in complete and utter shock. I will never ever have another friend like him. I love you so much Bobby."

Another co-star Dave Coulier also marked his former co-star's death on social media, posting a photo of the two holding hands and writing, "I'll never let go, brother. Love you."

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"Bob Saget was as lovely a human as he was funny," Lear wrote on Twitter. "And to my mind, he was hilarious. We were close friends and I could not have loved him more."

Fellow comedian and podcaster Marc Maron added, "Oh no. RIP Bob Saget. Truly one of the nicest guys and so funny. Very sad."

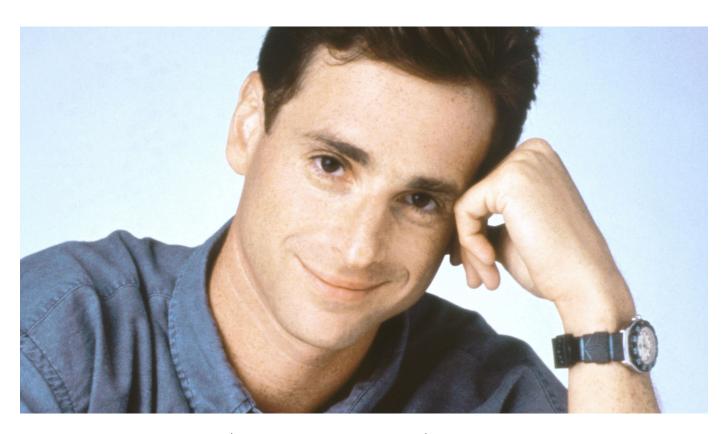
Comedian Gilbert Gottfried described his "shock" over the news, writing on Twitter, "I just spoke with Bob a few days ago. We stayed on the phone as usual making each other laugh. RIP to friend, comedian & fellow Aristocrat Bob Saget."



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### Here's a look at Saget's career

From CNN's Sandra Gonzalez



Bob Saget poses for a photo in 1993. (Warner Brothers/Everett Collection)

Actor and comedian Bob Saget, though known on the stage and among his friends for his

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network's "America's Funniest Home Videos" clip show.

As Saget recalled to Jake Tapper in a July 2021 interview, the track of his career was unexpected.

"'Full House' was an accident," he said. "I got fired on CBS and was asked to be in 'Full House.'"

The sitcom, which starred Candace Cameron Bure, Jodie Sweetin and twins Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen in one role, ran for eight seasons. It lived on in syndication with strong enough nostalgia surrounding it that Netflix picked up a spin-off in 2016, "Fuller House," starring Bure but featuring frequent appearances from original stars, including Saget, Dave Coulier and John Stamos. It ran for five seasons, concluding in 2020.

"I'm close with all the kids. It doesn't happen a lot in the world where you stay close with all the people," Saget told Tapper. "We're an unusual cast in that way that I have been able to remain close with everybody, because I don't take eight years of my life lightly and then the other five or six years, six seasons."

Following his first round of sitcom fame, Saget worked steadily in film and television roles but became known to a new generation of sitcom fans on CBS's "How I Met Your Mother," acting as narrator and the voice of future Ted Mosby. That show ran until 2014.

Throughout the years, Saget remained a fixture in stand-up comedy, releasing multiple specials over the years and taking his show on the road.

Saget's reputation for reveling in a much edgier brand of comedy could be seen in movies like "The Aristocrats" — exploring the competition among comics to tell the filthiest version of the same joke — and his guest stint on HBO's "Entourage" as a version of himself.

Asked by Esquire to define his humor in a 2013 interview, Saget explained, "I am basically just a nine-year-old boy that evolved." Toward that end, Saget seemed to relish pushing back against his success in squeaky-clean shows, telling dirty jokes at ABC events to make the executives squirm.

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CNN's Joe Sutton and Brian Lowry contributed to this story.

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