



Latin American Astrologer Walter Mercado Dies at 87

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In this Aug. 1, 2019, file photo, Walter Mercado is seen at the opening of "Mucho, Mucho Amor: 50 Years of Walter Mercado" at HistoryMiami Museum in Miami, Florida.

Puerto Rican astrologist Walter Mercado Salinas died Saturday night at the Hospital Auxilio Mutuo in San Juan, Omar Matos, a family spokesperson confirmed to [Telemundo Puerto Rico](#).

Matos indicated that the cause of death was due in part to "apparent renal failure" around 9 p.m.

During the month of October, it came to be known that Mercado Salinas, born March 9th, 1932, was in a delicate state of health.

This week, the "Dando Candela" presenter, Fernan Vélex, said Mercado had secluded himself in the hospital in San Juan, but was in stable condition and was showing slight improvement.

In Memoriam: Walter Mercado Salinas

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The multifaceted artist performed as an actor, dancer, writer and televised figure reaching worldwide success.

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