

Michael Scott Eldredge

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Mike was among the first friends I ever had, and his passing has left a void that will not be filled by another. But my life — as have so many others — has been greatly enriched and made more meaningful through that association. Our prayers are with the family of this wonderful man.

## - Gordon Johnson

Wow! Mike's gone... Can't put into words just how much he affected me, influenced me, and meant as a friend and fellow sojourner in this life. We met in law school, formed a study group that first year, and have remained steadfast friends ever since. He was hilarious. And irreverent. And inspired others with that same spirit of mischief. The obituary mentions the achievements, but misses some of the background that defined who Mike really was. He was indeed the editor in chief of the Clark Memorandum, but he was also a class representative for the 10th Circuit Student Bar Association that year. The BYU Student Bar group that went to Taos representing the law school overspent their budget, and Mike solved the problem by getting the Clark Memorandum printer to charge the law school for "costs" that in turn were diverted to pay a debt incurred at Taos. BYU's Student Bar Association President, Terry Turner was in on the conspiracy and diversion of misappropriated funds. I was Mike's associate-editor. We only published one edition that year, and between several serious articles Mike wrote, we collaborated on several articles lampooning the law school social scene. All the lampooning articles were not shown to the faculty advisor, because Mike knew they would be censored. The finished product was handed out at graduation to prevent the faculty from doing anything. It has become a collectable edition, because even after all these years it remains an unapproved and quite irreverent publication. There are a lot of such events in Mike's distinguished career. He had fun along the way. Losing Mike is a terrible loss for us all. He had an infectious humor, thoughtful countenance, and attractive disposition. He cannot be replaced. I will miss him sorely.

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