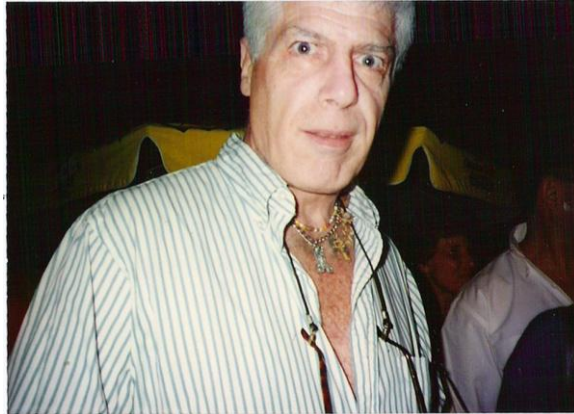


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Obituary

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Michael A. Robinson, age 59, of 206 Floral Ave., Ithaca, NY passed away on Monday, September 16, 2002 at home. He was predeceased by his parents, Samuel K. and Margaret (McAdam) Cohen. Michael was survived by his loving wife and soul mate of nine years, Susan Kerns Robinson; brother, William I Robinson of Ithaca, NY; daughter, Samantha Kay Robinson of Chicago, Ill.; son, Joshua A. Robinson of Irving, TX; wife's children, Elizabeth, John Daniel and Noah Parker of Chicago, Ill.; and Christopher Kerns of Trumansburg, NY; sister-in-law, Sheila Vowinkel and Peter Tenebaum of Vermont; brother-in-law, Stephen and Lynn Vowinkel of New Jersey; mother-in-law, Ethel Vowinkel of New Jersey; and childhood friend and pal, IB. Graves of Trwnansburg, NY.

Michael attended Immaculate Conception School, Ithaca High School and graduated from Cascadilla School with Valedictorian Honors. After school, Michael went on to attend Cornell University and worked for Eagle Broadcasting Education and work was paused for a two year tour with the U.S. Marine Corp during Vietnam.

Mr. Robinson returned to Ithaca and became a member of the Ithaca Common Council and later graduated from Cornell with a Psychology and English degree in 1970. In 1973 Michael continued his passion for broadcasting by accepting a position with Berkshire Broadcasting in Massachusetts and was later transferred to Dallas Texas with his first wife of 22 years, Aileen. Mr. Robinson finished his career with Eagle Broadcasting in Philadelphia, PA in 1992 before coming back to Ithaca to manage the Bernie Milton Band for Bernie, which was Michael's good friend and neighbor. Since 1992, Mr. Robinson has been active in fighting for the environmental, human and political rights here in Ithaca. His latest accomplishment was the writing of his current book the "Anthropology of Poems and Short Stories."

Michael was a member of the American Legion, Veteran of Foreign Wars, Life member of the American Contract Bridge League, Clean Water Action, Cotton Bowl Advisory Committee, and a leader of the Democratic National Party, which he was recognized by President Bill Clinton. Michael enjoyed children and has been working at the Drop-in-Center and as a substitute teacher for the Ithaca City School District.

Friends are invited to call at the Herson Funeral Home, 110 S. Geneva St., Ithaca, NY on Saturday, September 21, 2002 from 12 to 2 p.m. Funeral service will follow at 2 p.m. Rev. Philip Snyder will be officiating the services. In lieu of flowers, donations may be directed to the Tompkins County Library or the Sierra Club, 85 2nd St., San Francisco, CA 94105 in Michael's memory.