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Simon Morse (Adams) – Obituary

Simon was born in London, England, on June 2, 1940. His father was killed in an airplane crash when he was 7 months old and his mother eventually re-married an American G.I., George Adams. Simon and his mother, Gladys Shepard (Phillips, Morse, Adams, Shepard) emigrated to the United States in 1946.

After spending time in Bloomington, while George received his physics degree from I.U., the family moved to the Indianapolis east side. George died when Simon was 13.

Simon started work as a newspaper boy at age nine and then went on to deliver groceries at age eleven. He was always bragging about having his first Social Security earnings entry when he was eleven. When he was fifteen, he started work at the Indianapolis Star and News.

Other jobs Simon had through the years were delivering groceries on a bicycle, setting up bowling pins, delivering chicken and pizzas, driving a taxi and bartending.

Simon attended Howe High School, Shortridge High School and graduated from Warren Central High School in 1958. After spending the summer of 1958 in England he joined the United States Air Force and served for three and one half years. There, he was trained in information technology, of the kind used then, which was mostly punched card technology. After returning to the Star, he joined the Tabulating Department and was eventually trained in computer programming, which he performed for several years. In 1973, he joined Lane Bryant as a computer systems analyst, rose to a general manager position and, in 1983, joined the Mayflower Corporation where he later became Chief Information Officer and Senior Vice President.

In 1995, he opened a sporting goods store, which he operated until 1998, at which time he joined Electronic Data Systems as a project director. His career finished at CTI Group. He retired in 2002. Simon continued to dabble in computer software, developing web sites for small organizations and helping relatives, friends and neighbors with computer questions and problems. He also was the editor of two neighborhood magazines.

Over the years, Simon was involved in several home owner associations, was on the advisory board at Crossroads Rehabilitation, was an officer of White River Citizens United, a member of the Society for Information Management, a

member of the Data Processing Management Association, volunteered at the Heartland Film Festival and volunteered with Meals on Wheels.

He spoke often of the people in his life who gave him the opportunities he enjoyed and felt very lucky to have had a career that allowed him to be involved in technology.

He is survived by his wife, Nina Morse (Henry, West, Day), his daughter Lisa Larson of Venice Florida, brother Stephen Adams, of San Diego, California and stepdaughters Kimberlea Neely and Kellea Wright. He is preceded in death by sons Mark and Bradley and sister, Jennifer Hunt. Between Nina and him, they have 13 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.....

He married Bessie Cole in 1960 and Mary Dorfmeier in 1988. Simon and Nina married in 2001.

No flowers, please. Contributions can be made to Crossroads Rehabilitation Center in Indianapolis.

Simon's Wishes

I would like no funeral home showing or services when I die, and would like to be cremated, with my ashes given to Nina. No flowers- suggest people send a charitable donation to Crossroads Rehabilitation in Indianapolis

The only observance is a celebration of life, where anyone may share their remembrances. Have the celebration at a restaurant, with some food and wine.

People should not be sad. I had a good life. My biggest regret is that I had to leave Nina and the rest of my family and friends.

I was so fortunate to have people who helped me throughout my life. My wife, my family, a 16-year-old friend in high school who told me I could do better (and I did), my uncle Stan who helped me out of trouble when I was 15, Paul Schultz who gave me a break and hired me at the Star and News at age 15, my journalism teacher at Warren Central High School.

I greatly appreciate how Nina's family included me in their lives and made me feel part of it.

Signed: _____

Date: _____
