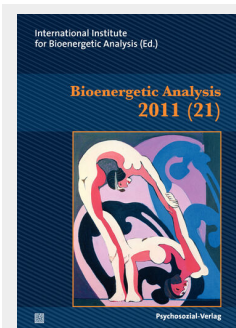


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# MEMORIAL NOTE

**RICHARD MULLINS: JULY 1, 1940 – JULY 24, 2010**

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He is gone, passed, dead. He was here, now he is not. We were friends for 42 years and Dick often said we were brothers with the same jewish mother, although he was a wasp from Kansas and I am jewish and from New York.

“Have courage brother, to stay with what is right for you”, he once said to me and he lived by that, demonstrating for many others that they could as well. I am reminded of that valuable guidance often.

Although he was exceptionally intelligent and accomplished in the usual sense of having advanced degrees from high quality and well thought of schools, I never heard him mention or utilize the prestige they offered in order to announce himself or try to impress anyone. This was typical of him: quiet, deliberate, substantive, exceedingly competent, genuinely humble and unusually generous.

Anything he did was done well and he gave greatly of himself to bioenergetics, as a trainer, a clinical supervisor, and as part of the efforts at governance. Many people came to be better therapists as a result of his help and they in turn helped others.

He gave his heart, time, money, consistency, persistence, and clear thinking to many other organizations as well. I believe the rippling effect of that is one way Dick will continue to serve and be remembered.

I, fortunately, was considered a part of his family and, like his three children, Brian, Jeff and Kathryn, always felt welcomed, invited, encouraged and replenished when spending time with him at the family

compound in Napa. Being with Dick there was always restorative for me and he made that possible matter of factly, lovingly, without fanfare. That made it easier to feel the gift of loving and being loved.

A fan of all things about trains, he would often visit railroad museums and take a ride on a train with no particular concern about where it might be going.

The last train has left the station Dick and, along with my freely flowing tears and great sadness, I feel the loneliness standing out here watching you, and it, disappear slowly, gently, into the distance ...

Goodbye my loved friend and brother, good bye ...

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