A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Yearbook messages tend to be rather stuffy and formal. This will not do for Hofstra. We may have our faults, but stuffiness is not one of them.

For me the Hofstra experience is characterized by straightforwardness and intimacy between faculty and students. We have differed over many issues but we have throughout faced each other with honesty. Honesty is generally considered to be a basic human virtue. But, truth is very rarely a clear-cut matter — it is only as sharp as those who engage in the dialogue. Honesty, in my opinion, only reaches perfection when people care enough not only to tell the truth but also to communicate it and make sure the other understands.

I believe that the Hofstra community cares. We are concerned about each other as human beings, as students and teachers and as lawyers. We care that the learning process be humane and sensitive. We worry as to whether we are challenging each other to the limits of our abilities. And we take pride in our sense of caring.

Three years is a long time out of a person’s life. Indeed, life does not come in an infinite number of three-year blocks. We have for better or worse left an indelible impression on each other. I can only hope that your impressions are as profound and satisfying as mine.

Aaron D. Twerski
IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL SOLOMON

...And in Michael's memory, each of us shall promise:

To make every moment of our lives
a crescendo:

To learn all that can be learned, and
touch everything that can be touched
and love all that can possibly
be loved.

So that when we reach that moment,
When our lives too, must come to
an end,

We can rest in the knowledge that
Nothing has been lost, for
our lives were full.

And all was gained.

Pete Kramer