



## Gregory Scott Porter

May 20, 2014

PORTER, Gregory Scott died peacefully, surrounded by loving family members, on May 20, 2014 near his home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, just shy of his 68th birthday on July 5th. A much admired and multiple-award-winning teacher, he earned his PhD in Mass Communications from the University of Iowa before serving as a professor at Baylor and Marquette Universities, the latter of which he dedicated 26 years to before retiring in 2007. Beginning as a little boy, Greg enjoyed nothing more than spending time with loved ones at his family's lake cottages in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. His endless wit, commitment to social justice, and deep love of family and close friends will endure in his physical absence. He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Edith ""Midge"" Porter, and former spouse and lifetime friend, Catherine Small (Pat). He is survived by his long-time partner, Joe Barbian; son, Steve Porter (Ashley Duncan); siblings, Laura Weaver (Bob), Phil Porter (Fonda), Lisa Johnson (Keith); Aunts, Kay Akers and Leona Shiverdecker; Uncle Harold Sweet (Charlene); and so many wonderful nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Private memorial services will be held at the family's convenience in Greg's birthplace of Dayton, Ohio and lifelong summer home of Helmer, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Hunger Task Force, University of Iowa, Wright State University, Northmont High School (Englewood, OH), Cream City Foundation, ACLU Foundation, and Human Rights Campaign.



# Tribute Wall

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“ Dr Porter was such a genuine, kind professor and FUNNY! He was challenging and a tough grader. I felt most proud when I received an A on a paper from Dr Porter because they were elusive. My condolences to his friends and family. Leah Marquette '06

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**Leah Strong** - May 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dr. Porter's kindness, compassion, and integrity will live on through all of his former students who were lucky enough to have him as a professor at Marquette. He will be deeply missed.

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**Tim Vetscher** - May 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ As one of the many, many students Dr. Porter impacted, I offer sincere condolences on his passing.

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**Tim Van Vooren** - May 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM