



Warren Ira Cikins

July 5, 1930 - December 13, 2014

Warren I. Cikins

On Saturday, December 13, 2014 of Alexandria, VA.

Beloved husband of Sylvia A. Cikins; father of Dean F. Cikins (Andrea) and Neil W. Cikins (Traci); grandfather of Maya, Emme and Tori. Funeral service at Temple Rodef Shalom, 2100 Westmoreland St. Falls Church, VA on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 at 10:30 AM. Private interment at Ivy Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a charity of choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Warren Ira Cikins*

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Jefferson Funeral Chapel - January 28, 2019 at 09:36 AM



“ Unfortunately, I am a johnny-come-lately to this sad knowledge of Warren's passing. I was trying to find his email to send him some information regarding his role as a Senior Fellow of the National Academy of Housing and Sustainable Communities, and instead found this, along with his papers at the JFK Library. I wish to offer my deepest condolences to his family and hope to meet them sometime.

My favorite remembrance was when we both worked on the Hill and 'downtown' and he got such a kick out of his double role at that time. He would say to me, "Kent, I write myself a letter from the Congressional committee in the morning and in the afternoon, I go downtown to the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Affairs and answer it!" I have loved telling that story over the years to my students, colleagues, and anyone who appreciates the anomalies of being inside the beltway. Others would be shocked, of course, but never Warren!

I was recently at the services for Melvin Al Miller, another good friend, from my time of living in Alexandria, and wondered if Warren ever knew him, can't remember, but I would guess so, along with Jack Sullivan and Bernie Cohen.

As the song from Les Miz states, "There's a grief that can't be spoken; there's a pain goes on and on, Empty Chairs at Empty Tables, now my friends are dead and gone...forgive me that I live and you are gone." But Warren, you do continue to sing through us and you did spread the revolution of good government always. Namaste, Kent Watkins, Chairman, NAHSC, Bethesda, MD. kent.watkins@watkins@yahoo.com, 646 234 3545

July 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Oh what a loss! I sold a Honda CRV to the Cikins just some few months ago and got to know Warren. He was such a joy to talk to as he exudes brilliance and humility while showing deep insights into issues on the political landscape. Surprisingly, I met Warren and his wife Sylvia again just last month when they came to the Honda dealership with a gift for Rachel Higgins, a co-worker who had just given birth to a baby girl. I got a warm handshake from Sylvia and a heartfelt hug from Warren. Perhaps he was saying goodbye to me. I'm all in tears as I write this piece. Warren Cikins was a very good man, and may his soul rest in perfect peace. To Sylvia and all her children, don't shed too much tears; Warren is in a much better place. His angelic qualities will bear him on wings of glory and transport him to the abode of Jehovah. Stay healthy. I wish you well.

January 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ My Cousin Warren was a kind, gentle, intelligent, and interesting soul. Although we didn't see each other often, when we did we were always fascinated by the stories of his past and proud of his tremendous public service. I had just mentioned Cousin Warren to some friends on Saturday and my son reminded me to call him because it had been a while since we last spoke. I didn't get to make that last call but I will always have the wonderful memories of the times we were able to share as family. So many wonderful stories of a life beautifully and honorably lived. My heart goes out to you who have lost a wonderful man too soon. May you find comfort in the love you shared.

December 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Dr. Cikins was my professor for an independent study seminar when I was a first year AU graduate student in 1966-7. I was immediately struck by his common sense and wise advice and always looked forward to our sessions. I wrote a paper for him about housing integration attempts in Prince Georges County, which he greatly helped me to shape. Most of all, I enjoyed his warm stories of working with the legendary Brooks Hays. He left a strong, lasting impression of a dedicated public servant. May his memory be for a blessing.
Carl Bergman

December 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Thank you so much for the memories.

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“ Thanks for the thoughts Steven

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“ Thanks for the kind words

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“ We appreciate your thoughts.

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“ I have been blessed by knowing Warren since the summer of 1954 when we were management interns together at the U.S. Civil Service Commission. We became good friends during that period but lost contact for a time after he left the agency. However, I kept up with his public service career as he progressed through a wide range of important roles in and out of government. Some years later we renewed our association when we found that we were living in the same area of Alexandria, Virginia. Warren was an outstanding public servant, a highly intelligent man with a broad range of interests and knowledge of many fields of endeavor, a gracious and stimulating conversationist, and, above all, a gentleman and great friend. He took a strong interest in the community in which he lived and made many contributions to its welfare. His life was an inspiration to many and he will be greatly missed.

December 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ All through my youth, we knew him as "cousin Warren." He was a kind man who always was able to begin a conversation about all things and showed a deep interest in our lives. Although we did not see each other that often, our conversations would always pick up from where they left off. He will be missed.

December 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ I would like to express my sincere condolences to the family in the loss of your loved one . May the fond memories shared with him be a source of comfort doing this time of grief and pain . John 5 : 28,29

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“ Warren, we hardly knew ye, and you left us way too soon. You were easily one of the best friends I have ever had, and I shall miss you sorely. But you left behind some wonderful remembrances of your life in Dean and Neil and Andrea and Traci and Maya and Emme and Tori --to say nothing of your wonderful Sylvia.
St. Jimmy

December 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ What a wonderful public servant as our Mount Vernon Supervisor, and the smartest man I ever knew...so interesting, so kind and so much fun to talk to. God bless you Warren Cikins.

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