

Vern

Vern's hand was more than a scrivener's guide; his mind constructed more than a mere tool. He never abided dross for gold. His was the hand that launched a thousand careers, a mind at the dawn of the computer age that saw the glint of the future and would not compromise in seeking only the auriferous lode in all he undertook. Vern was a man of uncompromising integrity.

For Vern, who was given the opportunity to create the computer age, much was required. In some future time, history will be the judge of each of us recording whether in our brief lives we fulfilled our responsibilities to society. Our success or failure, in whatever role we played, will be measured by our actions. First, were we truly courageous in all endeavors we undertook? Second, did we truly use fine judgment? Third, did we maintain our integrity? Finally, were we truly dedicated? To these four questions, we can truly know, Vern stood the test and met the challenge unconditionally.

Even by the hand that established such a legacy, more of the man was there than that of earthly deeds. Now he soars above to the highest sort and the most wondrous of architects. We all will know that Vern is still climbing after knowledge infinite, always moving; seeking the ripest fruit, that perfect bliss and sole felicity of Heaven.

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