Resolution



A Celebration of Life

A Resolution in Memory of

Dr. Richard Cole

Dr. Richard Cole was known for his kindness, intelligence, his truly caring and humble nature. It is evident from his life's work and academic accomplishments and recognitions. Dr. Cole inspired his students every day.

Dr. Cole began his career at the University of Texas at Arlington in 1980 as Dean of the Institute of Urban Studies. The Institute of Urban Studies would later become the School of Urban and Public Affairs (SUPA) in 1990, where Dr. Cole would remain as inaugural Dean for 18 years, until stepping down in 2008. Dr. Cole continued as fulltime professor through his retirement in 2016.

Dr. Cole's merits and academic accomplishments filled his forty-seven year career. Those include extensive publications and significant recognitions from the professional political science and urban studies arenas. He received the Fulbright Scholarship for Teaching and Research at Queens University in Belfast in 2004 and served as a Senior Research Associate at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs in 2008-2009. He was further recognized when he was inducted into the Urban Affairs Association Service Honor Roll in 2013.

Knowing him as professor, advisor and colleague, his dedication to his field was always distinguished with integrity, thoroughness in the attention to detail with an overlay of creativity that inspired students and colleagues alike to strive to do better.

He will be sorely missed.

Respectfully submitted on the 14TH day of January, 2017.

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