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IRREPLACEABLE COMPASSION, INTELLIGENCE, AND HUMILITY

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Steve Goldstein knew the art of meaningful conversation. He was kind, considerate, and courteous, but persistent and constantly logical in his arguments in adversarial discussions. There was no doubt he examined ideas opposing his own with the scalpel of his intellect, but he also listened to them with the gentleness of his heart. He made friends from every segment of the political and social spectrum, and seemed to make each one feel his or her ideas were valuable to him. He had a gift for both listening and challenging. He modeled commitment to his causes and expected others to be committed to something outside the material. Steve's example inspired and comforted; and the combination of his compassion, intelligence, humility, and sense of humor made him irreplaceable. Perhaps the best way to honor him now is to commit, as human beings, to follow his example. He will be sorely missed.

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