

granddaughters, Shaylee and Sarah; Norm's sister-in-law, Shay Stratford and her husband, Tom Wilson; Norm's nephews, Scott Wilson and Jeffrey Markel; and nieces, Jennie Harson, Ashley Wilson, Analah and Lyla Harson, Shannon and Ashley Jackson, and Deborah and Rachel Markel; and cousin, Laura Westbrook. A memorial celebration, including a round of Norman's favorite song Solidarity Forever and a wandering neighborhood Black bear, was attended by the many neighbors and friends who had also fed and comforted the family before Norm's death. Norm was buried on May 15, 2023, at the Carolina Memorial Sanctuary, in Mills River, NC.

The family offers sincere gratitude to CarePartners Hospice.

In 1948, at age 17, Norman joined the Habonim youth movement and was trained in welding at Lincoln Electric in Cleveland.

From 1950-52, he worked with Kibbutz Urim as a pipeline welder in the Israeli Negev, and on return to the US, Norm joined the United Steelworkers as a welder in Detroit until enrolling in Wayne State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in psychology in 1956.

In 1960, Norman received a doctorate in psychology at the University of Chicago and began his academic career at the State University of New York at Buffalo. On a post-doctoral fellowship while at Buffalo, he studied linguistics with George Traeger and Henry Lee Smith, kinesics and non-verbal behavior with Ray Birdwhistle, and paralinguistics with the folk song collector and publisher Alan Lomax. His several publications, based on a broad interdisciplinary perspective on human communication, began during this period.

In 1964, Norman, Alice his wife at the time, and their three sons, moved to Gainesville, FL, where Norm began his 36-year career as a professor at the University of Florida in psychology, linguistics, communication sciences, and anthropology. Norman was described by students as a wonderful teacher, who had