

DEDICATED TO MICHAEL J. KNIGHT  
PRESIDENT, BRIDGE HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
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We've been unlikely, even stubborn  
partners  
Who found a common path to  
walk  
The birth of Bridge House

You've never faltered through those  
days  
To challenge, criticize & praise  
our efforts  
In search for excellence

You never walked out on a fight  
and fairness guided all those  
nights  
When doubt held sway

You seldomed mentioned all the  
time  
Nor talked or sought some  
personal gain  
Nor spoke of any pain  
you had

You were there at our  
beginnings  
No innings scored, no win in  
sight  
Just friends & foes departing  
in the night

But you stayed

You stayed through all those  
days of struggle  
You clung to your beliefs  
Your commitment never waivered

I'm very proud of you  
and of what we've done  
together  
Your views are crucial, often  
right  
Your standards high

While courage & nobility are  
concepts now defamed  
If I were king & you a knight  
I'd sing your praise

In many ways you've been  
that knight  
Whose quest was not a grail,  
nor crown,  
nor fame,  
nor common claim

You've been our standard  
bearer  
The might of all our right  
intentions

And so I claim you for us all  
Our first Bridge House hero,  
Our founding father  
Loving Brother

I love Michael, and Thank you

We need you more than ever!

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With deep gratitude  
undying affection  
and ongoing challenge

Victoria E. Furey