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by Doug Kent

Mr. May, an only child, was born January 11, 1937 in Floral Park, New York. A happy kid, he was a quiet individual who went through school with little difficulty. The accordion became a close friend when he began lessons at age 11. He graduated from high school in 1955, attended C. W. Post College for a year, and then began conducting private accordion lessons in his parent's basement. He gained notoriety by giving annual school concerts and by having his students compete for trophies in national contests. He formed a band and performed at weddings, birthday parties, restaurants and night clubs.

In 1966, Mr. May developed an interest in computers and went to vocational school to learn his new trade of bookkeeping and computer programming. This allowed him to work with various companies, helping them move into the computer age.

Throughout his life in New York, Mr. May suffered from a terminal case of "Closet", which was very appropriate for his profession and his era in New York. He did have a friend and on occasion they would engage in a "quickie" in a car, or would have a rendezvous in the college library, or would rent a room for a weekend away from their home turf. As an only child living with his parents it was extremely important that he maintain his cover as a straight man.

In 1972 Mr. May moved to Florida with his parents and they bought a home in Margate. It was not until 1983 that Mr. May met and moved in with his first partner, Jay. They lived together in harmony for the next five years. Jay passed in 1988. It was through Dignity that Mr. May met his current partner. Both owned their own homes but neither of them liked each other's home so they sold them both and bought a mutually likeable home in Coconut Creek, where they still reside.

Mr. May is an avid naturist and has coordinated a naturist club here in South Florida for many years. Australia, New Zealand, many cities in Europe, Mexico, Canada, and South America are just a few of the places that Mr. May and his partner have visited. He and his partner have been on many cruises, and have visited over 20 National Parks here in the United States via motor home. Mr. May

and his partner are planning on a very special celebration this year in September to commemorate their 25 glorious years together.

Always friendly, always ready to take a picture, Mr. May always has a smile on his face and has something nice to say to everyone he meets. An active Prime Timer for many years, he is looking far into the future and is planning on contributing to the group's success as far as he can see.

