David Gray

David was one of the pioneering contributors to the Americans with Disability Act who served in many roles within agency funded disability research, and was a presidential appointee as director of the National Institute for Disability and Rehabilitation Research. Dave was an outstanding investigator who focused his research in the areas of greatest importance to people with disabilities – their ability to participate in society and to work. We were blessed to have David as a consultant on multiple projects, particularly those in the area of employment. Although I knew Dave for a long time, we grew much closer with our friendship as he worked with the team and as he faced many challenges. He was a wonderful and caring human, being whom I was privileged to call a friend. [Link to obituary]