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I remember Burnett Harvey best for his determination that Indiana University School of Law be the best law school—period. His ambition rubbed off on everyone around him. For a younger faculty member like myself, there was simply no question about how hard you would work to bring credit to the School. You taught and wrote your best, not only because that was the professional thing to do, or because of personal goals, but also because the Dean expected no less of you.

Burnett's style was quiet. He led by example and his teaching and scholarship set a standard that we all wanted to emulate. But there was more. He was also an eminently gracious man and friend. I did not come to the School a coffee drinker but coffee hour with the Dean was not to be missed. Through this informal gathering, Burnett brought colleagues together for conversation and helped to forge bonds that long survived his leaving the School.