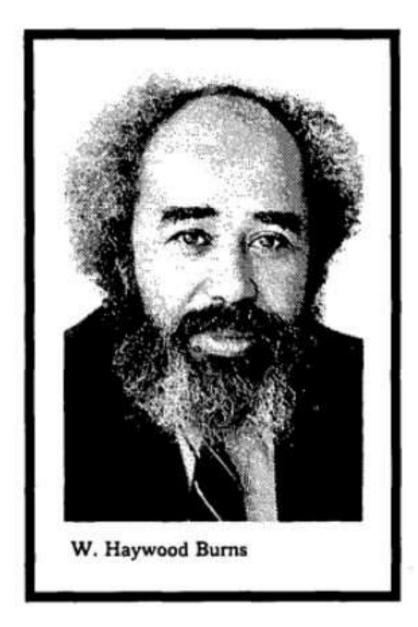
W. HAYWOOD BURNS--In Memoriam

Joan Andersson

I first met Haywood when we were both students at Yale Law School in the mid-1960s. Our paths were to cross many times thereafter.



When I read of his death in the New York Times, I couldn't stop looking at his photo, particularly his eyes. They spoke of the pain he felt when he looked upon suffering of people of color. His eyes also spoke of the vision his heart and mind had of how things could be if the wrongs were set right.

Luckily, just before his death, Haywood saw the beauty of a society which in things were in the process of being set right. On the day before the traffic accident in Cape Town, South Africa,

that killed him, he had attended a session of the South African Parliament. Afterward, Haywood called his wife to tell her that it was the most inspiring moment of his life.

Joan Andersson was the national organizer for the National Lawyers Guild in 1968-1969. She began the development of the regional Guild offices. She established the Guild International Committee in the early 1970s, serving as its Chair for several years. She was a founding member of the Bar Sinister Legal Collective of Los Angeles, one of the first legal collectives in the country.