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A man of words, the arts, and philanthropy, Michael Horton always stood strong in his belief that giving brought the greatest reward. The University of Cambridge law graduate, former *New Zealand Herald* publisher, and free speech campaigner shared his business expertise and gift for giving in both New Zealand and Australia.

Made a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit in 2010 in recognition of his services to philanthropy, Michael supported a range of causes for more than 40 years, donating – and raising – millions of dollars. Along with his wife, Dame Rosie Horton, Michael gifted the best collection of Aboriginal art in Australia to the Art Gallery of NSW.

He also oversaw the family media business, holding the title of managing director of Wilson and Horton from 1972 to 1995. Michael then established Horton Media – originally Australasia's largest independent contract media printing business – before stepping down as chairman in 2014.



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