## About Govindjee's name

- Govindjee has used always, in the past, only one name; it was his legal name; it was the name that is on his US Naturalization Certificate; however, in June, 2018, he changed his name legally to "Govindjee Govindjee", and this is the name now on his US Passport. He, however, prefers to publish under one name only in spite of the fact that his name is deleted in his papers by many programs!
- Since many computer forms require (required) at least 2 names, many US government and other official authorities, used "FNU Govindjee" as his name, where FNU stood for "First Name Unknown".
- Govindjee was originally his given name, but was used in all official documents in USA as his last name. However, in India, and in all private circles, it was and is used as his given name.
- In other settings, he had been (and is) listed as "Mister Govindjee", or "Professor Govindjee". At one time, he traveled as "Illini Govindjee" to show his loyalty to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- In some circles, his name had been spelled as "Govind Jee"; or "Govindji" or "Govind Ji", but he prefers that "Govindjee" or "Govindjee Govindjee" be used.
- Govindjee was born in an "Asthana" family; thus, his name should have been "Govindjee Asthana". However, since the last name denotes a specific caste, and his father was an Arya Samajist, who did not believe in the caste system, "Asthana" was never used.
- The following web site has even a fun poem (The Legend of Berkley) on his name (Govindjee has even met the author at a conference in 2010): <u>http://thelegendofberkley.blogspot.com/2009/01/govindjee.html</u>

## The Legend of Berkley

It's funny how one name can say so much take Madonna you have an image in your mind and so do I one that our children should be spared. But there are other names that have done so much that we will never know. Govindjee that's it no first or last all just one Like Cher.