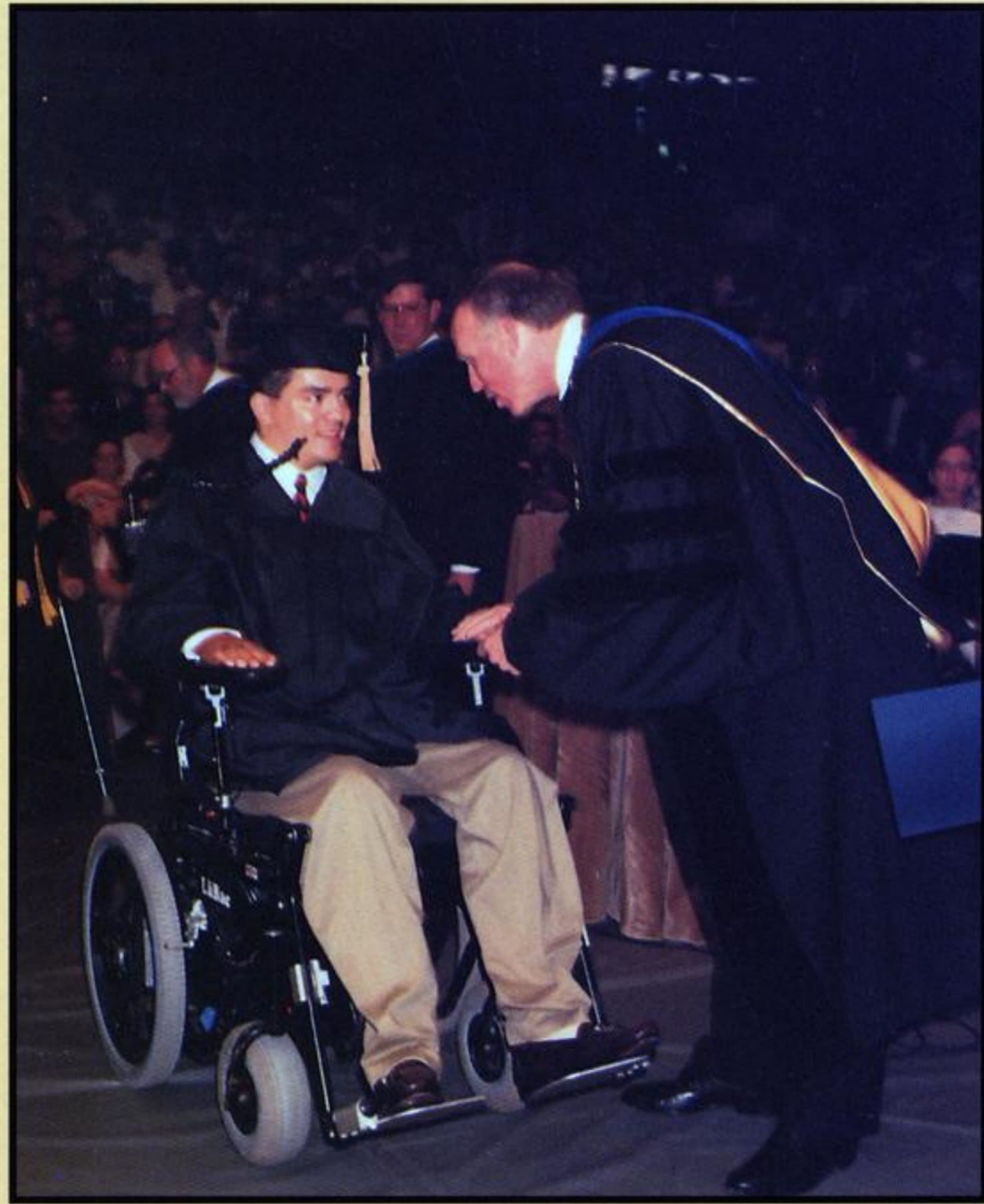


SIGMA PI PRIDE--These two Sigma Pi's are advertise both their brotherhood and their need for a work on their caps. Graduating is only the first step in the "real" working world. *Photo by Barry Johnson.*



A HAPPY ENDING--Kern Alexander, MSU President, presents Mark Moore with his diploma. Graduates received associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees at the 1996 ceremony. *Photo by Barry Johnson.*



Murray accepted a baccalaureate degree in honor of their daughter, Ginger Adams, a MSU cheerleader who died in a traffic accident.

Four students were recognized for graduating with a perfect 4.0. They were Jennifer Barendregt of Fancy Farm, Gregory K. Kondritz of West Frankfort, Ill., Edward McLeod of Murray, and Stewart B. Tolar of Paducah.

Other presentations included the conferring of four honorary degrees by Dr. Alexander to Harry L. Crisp II, chairman and CEO of the Marion Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company in Marion, Ill.; H. Glenn Doran, Chief Executive Officer of People's Bank of Murray; Arnold Frazier Guess of Frankfort, retired administrator from the Kentucky Department of Education; and Jae Wook Park, president of Kyungbuk Women's Foreign Language College of Taegu, South Korea.



A HAPPY ENDING--Amy Onan, Leslie Waugh, and Jennifer Langford are smiling in the rain about graduating. They gathered for the last time before they walked the line for their diplomas. *Photo by Barry Johnson.*