

# Robert Jay Lifton

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I learned a lot from Vietnam veterans, especially as some of them turned against their own war.

~Robert Jay Lifton

When I was still in my psychiatric residency training in New York City, I was subjected to the doctor draft of that time, during the early fifties, at the time of the Korean War.

~Robert Jay Lifton

I never quite envisioned myself a proper doctor under that white coat, but I was interested in the idea of healing and in the psychological dimension rather early on.

~Robert Jay Lifton

Sometimes its said that psychiatrists are doctors who are frightened by the sight of blood. I might have fallen into that category.

~Robert Jay Lifton

Every adult in the world has some sense that he or she might be obliterated at any time by these weapons that we have created.

~Robert Jay Lifton

I'm a Brooklyn boy. I was born in Brooklyn, New York, and raised there, and spent most of my childhood there.

~Robert Jay Lifton

I did the first study because I had been exposed to something that I took to be important and interesting - this thought reform process - in the military.

~Robert Jay Lifton

As a kid I was fascinated with sports, and I loved sports more than anything else. The first books I read were about sports, like books about Baseball Joe, as one baseball hero was called.

~Robert Jay Lifton

And I was troubled by the heavy-handed prose of so much psychoanalytic writing, which seemed drowned in its own concepts.

~Robert Jay Lifton

Yes, I've been very preoccupied with the survivor all through my work.

~Robert Jay Lifton

I don't have the feeling that as a very young person I read books that absolutely made their mark on my mind.

~Robert Jay Lifton

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