

Dear Michael,

Please accept my deepest condolences on the passing of your father.

About a year ago, we had the pleasure of visiting him at his apartment in Taipei—see the attached photos taken on April 5, 2024. He had recently published a thoughtful and ambitious article on the chemistry of the universe and life, a topic I now teach in my Astrobiology class at Caltech. In the photos below, I was sharing with him some of my own recent work in the field.

Your father will always be remembered at Caltech as a kind and generous elder brother—a man who led with compassion, offered guidance freely, and uplifted everyone around him. He carried within him the Cathoric spirit and the Chinese heart. His warmth and mentorship left a lasting impression on all of us, especially those of us from the Cantonese-speaking community.

If you're planning to visit Los Angeles, please let us know—we would love the chance to reconnect.

Warm regards,

Yuk

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