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From Elizabeth and Jerry Robichaud:

“Guy died peacefully this afternoon shortly after 2:00 - no pain, no drama. He was breathing hard, and Jerry told him if he wanted to go, he could go. Then he simply stopped breathing.

Thanks to all of you for your love and support.”

I have no words for this right now. I will use the words of others:

This Is About Death

Art recalls the memory
of his true existence
to whoever has forgotten
that being is the one thing
all the universe shouts.

Only the return of thought to
its source will complete thought.
Only return of activity
to its source will complete
activity. Listen to that.

-Allen Ginsberg, 1949

The Way Of The Bodhisattva

Thus by the virtue collected
Through all that I have done,
May the pain of every living creature
Be completely cleared away.

May I be the doctor and the medicine
And may I be the nurse
For all the sick beings in the world
Until everyone is healed.

May a rain of food and drink descend

To clear away the pain of thirst and hunger
And during the eon of famine
May I myself be turned into food and drink.

May I become an inexhaustible treasure
For those who are poor and destitute;
May I turn into all the things they need
And may these be placed close beside them.

May I be a saviour for those without one,
A guide for travelers on the way;
May I be a bridge, a boat and a ship,
For all those who wish to cross the water.

May I be an island for those who seek one,
And a lamp for those desiring light!

May I be a bed for all who wish to rest.

May I be a wishing jewel, a magic vase,
Powerful mantras, and great medicine.
May I be a wish-fulfilling tree
And a cow of plenty for the world!

And until they pass away from pain,
May I also be the source of life
For all the realms of varied beings
That reach into the realms of space.

-Korean Buddhist prayer

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1. *On January 4, 2007 at 12:52 am Rene Said:*

That really, really sucks. I didn't know Guy, except from his beautiful posts on this blog, but I feel confident in saying that his death represents a huge loss, not just for his parents and the other people who love him but for civilization. Maybe that sounds like hyperbole, but I can't think of another way to express how horrendously sucky it is that someone so gifted and beautiful had to die so young.

2. *On January 4, 2007 at 6:56 am [Samuel C. Blackman](#) Said:*

Tom, I am so very sorry. Thank you for introducing Guy to me via his writing. It is that he was an extraordinary young man.

3. *On January 4, 2007 at 9:16 am [felixthedog](#) Said:*

Tom -

I, too, am saddened to hear of Guy's death. My condolences to you as well for your loss of a kindred spirit.

- Rich (But you knew that, yes?)

4. *On January 4, 2007 at 10:19 am [steve carosello](#) Said:*

Thank you for a glorious tribute.
Truly, words cannot adequately express.

5. *On January 4, 2007 at 10:47 am [Nick Rudd](#) Said:*

Tom,

I'm sorry for your (and our's, even as strangers) loss. I lost a friend this past xmas myself. The Ginsberg poem you posted reminded me of Kaddish, which in its complete form contains the magnificence of Guy's writing.

Take care,

Nick

Though while it comes it is a lion that eats the soul—and the lamb, the soul,
in us, alas, offering itself in sacrifice to change's fierce hunger—hair
and teeth—and the roar of bonepain, skull bare, break rib, rot-skin,
braintricked Implacability.

Ai! ai! we do worse! We are in a fix! And you're out, Death let you out,
Death had the Mercy, you're done with your century, done with
God, done with the path thru it—Done with yourself at last—Pure
—Back to the Babe dark before your Father, before us all—before the
world—

There, rest. No more suffering for you. I know where you've gone, it's good.

Allen Ginsburg, excerpt Kaddish.

6. *On January 4, 2007 at 12:03 pm [ba](#) Said:*

Well-said, Tom.

To Elizabeth and Jerry Robichaud, my sympathy.

7. *On January 4, 2007 at 11:14 pm [The Laundress](#) Said:*

I am so sorry.

thank you, Mr. L., for introducing Guy R. around and about. What a lively fellow!

Sorry, caught off guard, was really hoping that kid was on the mend.

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8. *On January 4, 2007 at 11:41 pm Rene Said:*

Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.
Then leaf subsides to leaf.
So Eden sank to grief,
So dawn goes down to day.
Nothing gold can stay.
— Robert Frost

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