

## 顾老师的美国老朋友 Michael Rossmann 在获知顾老师去世后，写了一段回忆，以此纪念顾老师。

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With the encouragement of Jia-Huai Wang I was able to visit China in 1980. Prof Dong-Cai Liang was my host and Prof. Xiao-Cheng Gu was my interpreter (sentence by sentence) for the lectures I gave at the Institute of Biophysics and Peking University. I was struck by the perfect English English (as opposed to American English) spoken by Dr. Gu. We had long conversations that started a friendship that I will always treasure in my memory. A year or so later, Gu (as she like to be called) was on a committee for selecting Chinese biochemistry students for training in America (CUSBP). In this way Ming Luo came to my laboratory. Ming was a highly successful student both in his scientific projects and in finding a wonderfully vivacious wife (Jun Tsao). Jun then also became a student in my lab. Gu came to visit us and got to know my wife and family. After Ming had established himself as an independent investigator at the University of Alabama, Gu persuaded him to open a second lab at Peking University. He asked Dr. Xiaofeng Zheng to help and later replace him, although still maintaining an industrial position. Now I have one of Ming's former students (Geng Meng) as a post-doc in my lab.

Gu and I exchanged yearly New Year's letters and we met whenever I had the opportunity to visit Beijing. She also helped me in selecting other Chinese students and post-docs for my lab. I am extremely grateful to her for opening the door for a stream of outstanding scientists and students who I have been honored to host at Purdue. I have had the pleasure of remaining in contact with most of my students and visitors including many who I might never have met had I not known Gu. We have all lost a kind and respected friend.

Michael

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