Words from a friend of Partha and Parvati

Partha had amazing academic achievements and a rare scientific integrity. He was generous, supersmart and a great and trusted friend.

But he was so much more than that.

Partha was a real, pure intellectual with a strong family tradition in social and political commitments. He cared deeply about people and about science. He was a scholar with a broad and deep knowledge of mathematics and linguistics.

He was my guide in many questions about science and math. Among all statisticians I know, he was the one I most admire and respect.

In our fields of machine learning, he knew more than anybody else and understood better than anybody else.

A broad and deep intelligence.

A mind as clear and crisp as a September day.

A most beautiful mind.

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