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To the Members of the San Francisco Zen Center,

Please accept my deepest condolences and sympathy for the death of Rev. Myogen Steve Stucky. I thought of him as a friend, a colleague, and an older brother. I will deeply miss him for his kindness, his openness, his perseverance, his warmth, and his honesty.

My thoughts are with the members of the San Francisco Zen Center as you move through this difficult time of transition.

Nine bows,

Daigaku Rummé

Director,

Association of Soto Zen Buddhists

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To the Members of Hosshinji – Beginner’s Mind Temple of  
the San Francisco Zen Center,

Allow me to express my heartfelt condolences and  
sympathy on hearing of the death of Rev. Myogen Stucky,  
Kokusai Fukyoshi. I would like to deeply thank him for all  
of his efforts during his term as a Kokusai Fukyoshi.

Egawa Shinzan,  
Head Priest of the Sotoshu  
Daihonzan Sojiji

January 29, 2014

To the Members of Hosshinji – Beginner's Mind Temple of  
the San Francisco Zen Center,

Rev. Myogen Stucky, Kokusai Fukyoshi, was very much  
respected by many people. I would like to express my  
gratitude for the great deeds that remain from his work. I  
sincerely pray that he will rest in peace.

I can well imagine how much sadness the members of the  
San Francisco Zen Center feel because of his passing, but  
ask that by supporting each other, you overcome this  
sadness.

Kojima Taido,  
Division Chief of the Department of Education and  
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サンフランシスコ禅センター・発心寺の皆様の悲しみいかばかりかと拝察いたしますがお互いに支えあい、この悲しみを乗り越えられますようお願いしております。

平成26（2014）年1月29日

教化部長 小島泰道



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スタッキー妙眼北アメリカ国際布教師のご遷化の報に接し、ご生前の国際布教に対するご尽力に厚く御礼申し上げ、衷心よりお悔やみ申し上げます。

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曹洞宗管長 江川辰三

Abbot, abba, father. Today the sky of the Eternal City is crying with me. And the Tiber is overflowing, as is my heart with sorrow.

The brown waters of the ancient river, full of currents, remind me of Samsara. Now you are peacefully out of it. But please, oh Bodhisattva Mahasattva, don't wait too long to come back for the benefit of us all.

Once you asked me: "What is the marrow of Zen?" I still don't know the answer, but I do feel in my marrow that you are not separate from it.

A few years ago, to one of my students who told you that he was afraid of dying, you said: "Afraid of What?" With your life and death you showed us that there's nothing to be afraid of. No fear, no life, and no death.

Dear Steve, I bow to you 108 times, together with the Roman sangha.

Fa buon viaggio, Maestro dall'Occhio Sottile.  
Doshin Dario Girolami

E-mail message from David Chadwick in India:

*“Farewell Steve.*

*We will miss your friendship, support, humor,  
and teaching in everything you did.*

*Gone way too soon.*

*Too soon but well done.*

*Gratitude.”*