

Speech funeral Willi Nouchet November 23th, 2009. Croisy-Beaubourg, Paris. Saint-Michel church

Dear Willi, Madame Nouchet, dear Veronique, Ines and Brian, dear family and all the friends

Both the President's of the IWUF and EWuF have asked me to represent them here today and to say a few words to express their sorrow for Willi's unexpected passing and pass their sincere condolences to Mrs Nouchet and the family.

Willi has been involved in international wushu since the very beginning, some 25 years.

He became the role model for many young athletes and referees.

Willi has transmitted his torch to a lot of persons and they now cherish this flame in their hearts.

Yes, it is true, Willi was direct and consistent, commanding the respect of his peers.

More than this he was very human and a good friend to us all. He implemented the true values of the Martial Arts into his daily live. All his friends and myself have witnessed this.

Willi, I will personally miss our conversations, your smile and your "funny laugh" that expressed your joy and gave me an indication of your presence in the halls during many competitions.

We will miss you greatly.

In name of the Wushu family I salute you! (The wushu salute is given by Patrick in front of the coffin)

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