

Costas, unforgettable, unique colleague and precious friend

You exuded a contagious passion for Physics and overflowed with love for life.

For 40 years, around the globe, I learned from your deep and original work on CFT, Supergravity and 4D Strings, during discussions in front of a blackboard or a conference dinner.

You knew how to mix with nonchalance timely comments on one of my seminars, with others on how I was dressed, always with a smile and with these expressive hand gestures!

Costas is Costas, we would all say with a laugh...

I am grateful for your sharp physics insight, your seminal input in Theoretical Physics research, your efforts on EU networking and Corfu Intitute, the infinite support you offered to your best students, the loyalty towards your friends and unconditional love for your family.

I must mention your shopping kart (30 kg of meat!!!) that you provided for a Greek Easter barbecue in my garden, during a visit at Caltech, Greek dancing in Corfu, or you awkwardly holding one of my baby daughters in Torino.

Costas was a truly special scientist and human being, immensely dear to me: I will hold his memory always in my heart and I am with you today in spirit to celebrate his memory.

