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Andy Walkover was my student, research assistant, colleague in legal academia, and friend. I like to think of Andy as a protégé, but I probably learned more from him than he did from me. He was tall and forceful, while gentle and humane; he was ebullient, with a hearty, outgoing laugh, but he had a quiet, intense, introspective side as well. His unbounded intellectual curiosity and his unfailing sense of the humorous and tragic in life made him a totally compelling person.

Andy was committed to life, to people, to preparing himself to teach—these commitments never seemed to diminish even when he fretted most about the ultimate meaning of it all. In his own daily life and thought, with Barb and with Lily, and among his many friends, there was always more than enough meaning. If at the macro-level there was a touch of nihilism, at the micro-level, Andy was deeply involved, caring, and giving.

Andy was one of my very best students, and of all my students, he was the one I most enjoyed spending time with. I shall miss Andy; I had looked forward to seeing more and more of him as our teaching years went by.

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