

I - In tribute to Doctor Pierre Coret

You'd probably laugh, Pierre, at the synchronicity between my tribute to you and a text about the 'sufferings of the soul', with the anxiety and despair accompanying them. If the former was anything but planned, the latter was... That's the way it goes, with more or less pleasant times, concomitances and also unexpected encounters whose secret we don't know...

Your quick departure surprised me, and it surprised me all the more as we had talked shortly before and said that we would at last take the time to get together in your house in the Ardèche in which you wanted to spend more time with your family since you had retired and were also closer to my house...

We wanted to 'change the world' and talk about our experience as homoeopathic psychiatrists and therapists, as we had always done during our meetings or work sessions when the GHEPP, in its early stages, brought us together around Jacqueline Barbancey in Paris... But we could not guess that the great clock of life would decide otherwise and if our paths crossed and led us to careers centred on the same concern for the human being in the specificity of what they are and embody, we each still had the same desire to see homoeopathy take even more the place it deserves in the field of psychiatry.

You went too soon, too quickly and we didn't have the time to talk more about its present evolution or what has changed its face so much in the last few years... This is what I am most regretful about... But it's not just this... Your smile, welcoming qualities and loyalty to your friends will be missed by many : friends, patients, and, of course, family. You were not one of these people that one forgets. You really were a thoughtful, open, and radiant person, who will leave a lasting impression on those you met... It is on this account, beyond time and your departure from our earthly lives, that you are, to me, to all your close relatives, and to many of your friends and patients, still here...

May you rest in peace... You were equal to your job in what you always wanted to help develop... We can all confirm this...¹

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