## Message from Professor Sir Tom Blundell

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Prof. Tom Blundell and Prof. Gu Xiao Cheng

## Dear Ying,

Andrej Sali has sent me the sad news that your mother, GU Xiao Cheng, has recently died. I was very sad to hear this.

Your mother was one of the most amazing people I have met. When I first went to China towards the end of the cultural revolution she looked after Professor Dorothy Hodgkin and myself. She interpreted the lectures I gave every day on protein crystallography, and she was very warm and supportive during our visit. I think it is probably your mother in the picture attached! I have some other pictures of the visit if you are interested but I cannot find another with your mother in.

I met her from time to time afterwards and was always happy to meet her and hear the news. She will be very much missed. A great lady! My wife Lynn and I send you our condolences. Kind regards, Tom Blundell Professor Sir Tom Blundell FRS, FMedSci Department of Biochemistry University of Cambridge