

Antonio S. Cua (1932–2007)

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It is with deep regret that I report the death of Antonio Qua, March 27, 2007, a long time member of the Board of Associate Editors of the *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion*. Born in the Philippines where he took his first degree, Tony, as he was known to his friends, completed the Ph.D degree in philosophy at the University of California Berkeley in 1958. After teaching at several colleges and universities including the University of New York College at Oswego, where he served as Professor and Chair, he was appointed Professor of Philosophy in the School of Philosophy at the Catholic University of America. Although he was initially brought to CUA to teach courses in British analytic philosophy he was able over time to devote himself more and more to his first love, Chinese philosophy. This development is suggested in his long list of books which begins with *Reason and Virtue: A Study of Richard Price* and ends with *Human Nature, Ritual and History: Studies in Xunzi and Chinese Philosophy*. Many readers of this obituary may be familiar with the authoritative *Encyclopedia of Chinese Philosophy* which Tony edited in collaboration with more than 75 contributors. This is, I believe, the first encyclopedia of Chinese philosophy to be published in the English speaking world. Tony was widely considered to be a leading authority on Chinese philosophy and served as a member of the Board of Officers and President of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy. He was, in the words of Jude Dougherty, Dean Emeritus of the School of Philosophy, both a serious scholar and a good man. He was devoted to his family, had a warm and engaging smile and a sense humor. The latter is suggested in his email address, cua@cua.

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