



# *Gustav*

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Of course  
many will rightly remember you  
for your performances -  
you sang and played  
for God.

But I remember you most  
for your teaching -  
you helped us find  
our own  
voice.

You demanded excellence  
with a quiet intensity -  
knowing full well  
that when we answered that  
demand  
(with more than we knew we had)  
our voice would  
be  
God's voice.

And now that you have left your body,  
the voices you have left behind  
(many trained by you)  
know and celebrate  
that  
when we sing our love songs to God,  
we also  
are singing  
our love songs  
to you.