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Messages of Tribute

“Anthony Rowley has been Asia Asset Management’s Japan Correspondent for the past 5 years; his regular columns on asset management and investing were very well received by subscribers and readers. We will all miss his insights and analysis.”

Tan Lee Hock, Founder and Publisher, Asia Asset Management

“Back in 2024 everyone was so welcoming at the FCCJ, none more so than Anthony who I’m sure had plenty of things to do, but incredibly I think over the two weeks in Tokyo we must have met on at least five different occasions at the FCCJ or my hotel. I was interested to hear about his life, yet he seemed fascinated with mine - and of course overwhelmingly we spoke about Robert (Whymant). We talked about Mum and on my last night in Tokyo we ended up being the last ones in the bar... 72 hours later Mum passed away... we spoke on occasion after... what a life, what a gentleman... Thank you again.”

Michael Garbutt (nephew of Robert Whymant)

“It is a great pity that my good friend. Anthony Rowley has passed away. He was an excellent journalist as well as shrewd economist. Above all, he loved Japan. I would like to express my deepest condolences to his passing away.”

Haruhiko Kuroda, former governor of the Bank of Japan

“Please accept my deepest condolences. Unfortunately, due to my advanced age, I have difficulty walking and am unable to attend in person. Please pass along my regards.”

Toyoo Gyohten, former vice finance minister for international affairs and former chairman of the Bank of Tokyo

Dear Membership:

I regret to inform you of the passing of FCCJ stalwart Anthony Rowley, who first joined this organization in 1990. A veteran journalist, Anthony was formerly the Business Editor and International Finance Editor at Far Eastern Economic Review and Tokyo Correspondent for Singapore Business Times, amongst numerous other positions.



His tenure included stints as FCCJ president, vice president, treasurer, and currently kanji. He brought passion, integrity, and a love for this Club to this pursuit.

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Personally, Anthony was a trusted friend and a veteran news sage who provided context, and he joined my school correspondent interview sessions.

We are all in grief after his death. The FCCJ will hold a memorial event for Anthony this Friday, October 9, from 6:30pm – 8pm. <https://www.fccj.or.jp/event/memorial-anthony-rowley>

Yours,

Dan Sloan, FCCJ President