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He could have gotten the same thrill for a lot less money on a one-way sub-orbital SU-25 jet plane ride. Zoomed up to about 75000 feet and his ashes dumped overboard, the Russians would have accommodated his space happiness just fine for a fraction of the cost.

For \$495, group rate, a full body ride could probably be arranged whereby his whole corpse could have been dumped in the Artic Ocean from the upper stratosphere along with about a dozen others for company.

I think the Russians might be able to handsomely profit using this business model to satisfy this new body disposal fad.

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