

Kam H. Chan, pharmacist husband of Margaret Wong, dies after long battle with lung cancer

沉痛悼念陳錦漢先生

克利夫蘭華裔名人藥劑師陳錦漢先生(著名移民專家黃唯大律師的丈夫)因患肺癌去世,享年 64 歲。



Pharmacist Kam Chan used to deliver prescriptions to patients who had trouble getting out to his pharmacy, often taking his children along with him. He died on Wednesday at age 64

CLEVELAND, Ohio - Kam H. Chan, the solid and steadfast husband of immigration trailblazer Margaret W. Wong, died Wednesday after a long battle with lung cancer. He was 64.

Chan met Wong at a mutual friend's barbecue party, when she was trying to launch her immigration law practice and was handing everybody her business cards. When he sent her a Christmas card, she wondered: "Who is Kam Chan?"

They hit it off anyway and got married on Jan. 3, 1983. They raised two children, Steven and Allison, who just joined her mother's law firm.

"He is just an adorable husband," Wong told The Plain Dealer in 2010.

Born on April 23, 1949, in Hong Kong, Kam Hon Chan and his parents immigrated to the U.S. when he was 11, becoming one of the first immigrant Chinese families in Lakewood. Chan grew up helping his parents run their laundromat, exhibiting the tireless work ethic that he would demonstrate throughout his life, his family said.

Chan graduated from Lakewood High School, studied biology and chemistry at Baldwin Wallace College, and went on to the University of Toledo School of Pharmacy. He worked as a pharmacist at the Cleveland Clinic until 1984, when he left to open his own pharmacies. He eventually owned three of them, selling the last one in 2008 or 2009.

"He was a kind and gentle soul, and often personally delivered prescriptions to his patients when they were unable to pick them up," Allison Chan said. "Everybody who knew him knows he was very, very generous. He would go out of his way to help people."

The family said Chan lived a fulfilling life with hobbies that including collecting cars and gadgets, cooking and photography.

When his wife and her three younger siblings gathered at his Shaker Heights home every Wednesday night for an extended family dinner, Chan; his brother-in-law George Hwang, who owns



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KAM HON CHAN
BORN
APRIL 23, 1949
ENTERED INTO ETERNAL LIFE
JANUARY 22, 2014
FUNERAL MASS
Church of St. Dominic
19000 Van Aken Boulevard
Shaker Heights, Ohio
Monday, January 27, 2014
at 5:00 p.m.**

**OFFICIATING
Rev. Fr. Thomas G. Fanta
FINAL RESTING PLACE
Highland Park Cemetery
Sec. 18 Lot 1459 Grave 2
SCHULTE & MAHON-MURPHY FUNERAL HOME**

And now, the end is near And so I face the final curtain
My friend, I'll say it clear I'll state my case, of which I'm certain
I've lived a life that's full I traveled each and every highway
And more, much more than this, I did it my way
Regrets, I've had a few But then again, too few to mention
I did what I had to do, I saw it through without exemption
I planned each charted course, each careful step along the highway
And more, much more than this, I did it my way
Yes, there were times, I'm sure you knew
When I bit off more than I could chew
And through it all, when there was doubt
I ate it up and spit it out
I faced it all and I stood tall and did it my way
I've loved, I've laughed and cried
I've had my fill, my share of losing
And now, as tears subside, I find it all so amusing
To think I did all that And may I say, not in a shy way,
"Oh, no, oh, no, not me, I did it my way"
For what is a man, what has he got? If not himself, then he has naught
The right to say the things he feels and not the words of one who kneels
The record shows I took the blows and did it my way!
"My Way"—Frank Sinatra



the Westside Pearl of the Orient Restaurant; and Bernie Lee used to do the cooking. When Chan became ill, other family members took over the chore, but he continued to attend.

"Mom was always there for the big things, but Dad was always there for the small things," Allison said.

Chan faithfully followed the Cleveland Browns and was an avid traveler who enjoyed planning family vacations.

In her annual Christmas card, Margaret Wong wrote: "My husband, Kam, continues to fight for his life with stage-four lung cancer. I continue to be awed and inspired by his strength and optimism, wit and humor. ... I repeatedly tell my clients, as the doctors have told Kam, miracles do happen, so do not lose faith."

Other survivors include brother, Joe Ng; eight nieces and nephews; seven siblings-in-law; and his beloved Shih Tzu, Riley.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that contributions be made to the Church of St. Dominic, 3450 Norwood Road, Shaker Hts., 44122; to Cleveland Clinic's Wong Lung Research Fund (Gifts can be sent to Cleveland Clinic Foundation, P.O. Box 931517, Cleveland, 44193-1655 or made online at clevelandclinic.org/giving); or to University Hospital, Institutional Relations & Development, P.O. Box 715658, Columbus, Ohio 43271-5658 (to support the research at University Hospital's Seidman Cancer Center).

A funeral Mass will be said at 5 p.m. Monday, at the Church of St. Dominic, 19000 Van Aken Blvd. The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. until the Mass time. Interment will be private.

Schulte Mahon-Murphy funeral home is handling arrangements.



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