



Cecelia H. Chiu

October 4, 2014

Cecelia H. Chiu passed away at St. Francis Hospital on October 4, 2014. The daughter of Dr. Keehong and Leeyong Wang Han, she was born in Kaoshiung, Taiwan on February 27th, 1932. She was not only voted the prettiest girl in her graduating class of 1950, but was also an accomplished pianist and avid tennis player when her future husband, Huei-huang Chiu, tutored her in trigonometry. She would eventually follow Huei to the US, but not without great difficulty as the Asian Exclusion Act remained largely intact. With the determined efforts of Huei's fellow graduate students and a state senator of New Jersey, Cecelia was finally allowed to immigrate and marry him shortly before the completion of his Ph.D. in aerospace engineering at Princeton University. While attending Westminster choir college, she gave birth to her daughter, Frances. They moved to the Bronx before finally settling in Evanston, IL. In 2007, the Chiu family decided to move to West Hartford, CT. A devoted wife and mother who frequently accompanied her family members to their various conferences and seminars in the US, Europe, Taiwan, and Japan, Cecelia not only enjoyed activities at the Bishop's Corner senior center and the Taiwanese Association of Connecticut, but also took great pleasure in gardening, literature, history, and film. She is survived by Professor Huei-huang Chiu and their daughter, Professor Frances Chiu. She also leaves behind an older brother in Illinois (Chung-mao Han), younger sisters in Alabama (Shu-hwa Lin), North Carolina (Yu-hwa Wang), and in Taiwan (Chu-hwa Kao, Hong-hwa Soong, and Wang-hwa Chu). Cecelia

Chiu's memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 22nd at the Covenant Congregation Church, 1 Westminster Dr., West Hartford, CT from 11 am to 12:30 pm; refreshments will follow. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation or Craine's Cancer Cure (www.crainescancercure.org).

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Covenant Congregational Church
1 Westminister Dr.
West Hartford, CT