



Dr. David S.Y. Hsu

November 23, 1944 - October 27, 2016

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On Thursday, October 27, 2016, Dr. Hsu passed away at his home in Alexandria, VA. Dr. Hsu is survived by his wife Becky; son, Dr. Andro Hsu of Palo Alto, CA and sister, Kara May of Tellico Village, TN. Relatives and friends may call at Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Dr. Alexandria, VA on Friday, November 4, 2016 from 7-9 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Louis Catholic Church, 2907 Popkins Ln. Alexandria, VA on Saturday at 10:30 AM. Interment following at Mt. Comfort Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Poor Clare Monastery.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. David S.Y. Hsu*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *David and I served in the Peace Corps together in the Philippines. We were close friends during our training and remained close friends even though our work sites were not near. David came to visit me in General Santos City and I would always stop by to visit him when passing through Cotabato City.*

When David and Becky were married in Cotabato City, I was lucky enough to be best man at their wedding. After David's two years in the Peace Corps Dave and Becky went to Cambridge where David completed his PhD. I renewed my contract with Peace Corps and was given a furlough in the U.S. during which I included a visit with Dave and Becky. Over the years we have kept in touch and visited each other in Virginia or Florida.

David has done remarkable research in his career. I often mention his work to friends when we discuss the miracle of cell phones, computers, etc. David was very humble about his work that produced things that touch everyone's life all over the world.

Becky, Andro, and Kara May, be comforted that your husband, father, and brother did great things that have and will continue to benefit mankind. We will miss you David. Your friend Alvin Hower.

November 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ As a (retired) NRLer a few labs down from David, I remember him as a friendly, courteous, helpful and smart physical scientist. Most of all, I remember his integrity. I have employed many undergraduate and graduate students during summer break. One summer I came across an application from a stand-out student by the name of Andro Hsu. I casually asked David how common a name Hsu was. He equally casually just shrugged his shoulders. I invited young Mr Hsu to NRL for an interview and by coincidence, was at Security when I saw someone check in that possibly was Andro. Ascertaining it was he, I approved his entry into NRL and suggested we walk to the Chemistry Division building together. Mr Hsu awkwardly mentioned he had someone in a car waiting for him. We went out together and I saw Dr David Hsu sitting in his car. I got in and said, OK Dave, let's go. David had taken pains to make sure I did not know Andro was his son. He did not want knowledge of their relationship to influence my hiring decision. I hired Andro anyway. He did fine. I remember photographing David's too soon retirement luncheon. May the family be comforted among the mourners.

October 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM