In Loving Memory of Dr. Mao-Shiu Lin

Dr. Mao-Shiu Lin taught electrical engineering at SDSU from 1966 to 2002 and served as Chair of the Electrical & Computer Engineering Department from 1977 to 1986. While serving as Chair, he moved the program model of the Department from one that was largely teaching to one that was a balanced combination of research and teaching. The Department prospered under his leadership. Enrollment exceeded 900 students, second in number only to the psychology department. The research value of grant activity was well over one million dollars. Research work in the laboratories under his supervision was funded by Federal and State grants, and by the engineering industry. A Professor Emeritus of SDSU, Dr. Lin was an outstanding researcher and dedicated educator who loved teaching and who made significant contributions to the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Also, as a respected and admired leader in the Taiwanese community, Dr. Lin passionately believed in Taiwan’s sovereignty and democracy. He served as President of the North America Taiwanese Professor’s Association (NAPTA) - Southern California Chapter, President of the Taiwanese American Foundation of San Diego and was a board member of the San Diego Taiwanese Cultural Association.

Dr. Lin was loved and adored by his wife Michelle, daughters Wendy and Joan, son-in-law David, and his grandchildren Shane (age 20), Tyler (age 18), Mia (age 17), and Gwen (age 15). In retirement, Dr. Lin and Michelle took the family on cruises around the world. Dr. Lin loved to spend time with his family, tend to his garden, and to watch SDSU Aztecs and Padres games. Dr. Lin passed away at the age of 92 at home on July 13, 2023, surrounded by his family after a long battle with cancer.

A Celebration of Dr. Lin’s Life will be held:

Saturday, September 16, 2023, at 2:00 P.M.
Taiwanese American Foundation of San Diego
7838 Wilkerson Ct.
San Diego, California 92111
http://www.taiwancenter.com/sdtca
(858) 560-8884.

In lieu of gifts and flowers, his family invites you to make a donation in Dr. Mao-Shiu Lin’s memory to the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering: https://www.engineering.sdsu.edu/give/links.