



## Thian Lai Tan

May 15, 1933 - October 6, 2013

TAN, Dr. Thian Lai "Dr. T.L. Tan" May 15th 1933 to October 6th 2013 (Age of 80) - Survived by his beautiful loving wife of 50 years, Mary-Ellen, his five children: Rose-Marie Prasatek, Stephen Tan, Stewart Tan, Suzanne VanOphem, Stanley Tan and nine grandchildren. Thian Lai lived a prosperous and generous life. He shared his love and compassion with everyone he came across, not only in his family life but with his patients that he cared for throughout his 40 years in medicine at Crittenton Hospital. His unselfishness touched many lives in Rochester, Michigan and around the world. He will truly be missed. May he rest in peace and his loving memories flourish for an eternity with all who crossed his path. Visitation Thurs. 5-9pm and Fri. 1-9pm at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. (Shelby Twp.) 54880 VanDyke @ 25 Mile Rd. Prayers Fri. 6:30pm. Instate Sat. 10:00am at SS. John & Paul Church 7777 W. 28 Mile Rd. until Mass, 10:30am. Interment Christian Memorial. Share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guest Book" @ [WujekCalcaterra.com](http://WujekCalcaterra.com)

# Tribute Wall

KH

“*Dr. Tan hoped me quit smoking using his knowledge as an MD practitioner of electroacupuncture. If any of his family knows of anybody that he trained or that does electro acupuncture. I really would like a referral. I know it's weird to post this 13 years after he passed away but I'm sincere. He was wonderful !! Kendra Hurd please call me or email me Kendramhurd@gmail.com 248-494-1562*



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**Kendra McConnell Hurd** - June 01 at 06:04 PM

KH

*\*\* helped me not hoped me*

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**Kendra McConnell Hurd** - June 01 at 06:05 PM

DB

“*Stephan and family, am so sorry for your loss. Please remember he will always be in your hearts and those of everyone he touched. Take care of your family and will be thinking of you at such a difficult time.*”

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**Dawn Bradford** - March 12, 2020 at 09:50 PM

AF

“*Dear Monique and Stewart, We pray for many blessings to you and your family and may he rest in peace. love Al and Marilyn Neumaier*”

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**A friend** - October 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *"Our deep condolences to Aunt Mary-Ellen and Family. We will surely miss Uncle Thian Lai. He's an inspiration to us as a doctor and family man. He always seem to know how to have fun. It was a privilege to have spent a few weeks getting to know him more last summer. I admire his passion for family and knowing our history. I will always remember the family tree he made. He will surely be missed. You'll be in our prayers. God Bless  
- Carol Tan - Co and family, niece ( Tan Tian Un)"*

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**Carolyn Tan Co** - October 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ST

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*We'll surely miss Uncle Thian Lai.....he raised a wonderful family and had a successful career in the US, where all his kids and respective families prefer to stay close to them and to each other. He's indeed a wonderful husband, dad and a grandfather. We're glad to have spent time with him in manila & davao last June. That he's able to get together with his siblings and family after a long time. I admire his work in putting up the family tree page by page. A very funny uncle, with a cheerful spirit, kind and easy to get along with. He's the most complete and up-to-date uncle (at 80) with regards to the high tech era we are in right now. My dad also used to say that Uncle Thian Lai pours pure passion on all the things he does. His care for his family and patients, finishing his medicine degree, fast in learning new skills like playing golf, doing magic tricks for his grandchildren and more. Uncle Thian Lai indeed lived a good life.....able to celebrate his 80th birthday and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with aunt Mary-Ellen. May the Lord's comfort be with his family. I still can't imagine he's not here anymore, but it feels good to know that He's now in heaven enjoying eternal life with our Lord :)"*

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**Stephanie Tan** - October 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EL

“*""We are deeply saddened by the loss of our uncle. He will truly missed and we will include him in our daily prayers. May his soul rest in peace, I firmly believe that God will accept him with open arms for all the good he has done while he was on this earth. -Elizabeth, Niece (Tan Siok king & Family), Oct. 11,2013"*

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**Elizabeth** - October 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“*"Mary-Ellen and the entire Tan family, my deepest condolences for your loss. Dr. Tan was a rare individual who I had much respect and love for. We shared many great times and I have fond memories. Both professionally and personally, he was an inspiration to me, and taught me some of life's lessons. He will be missed and remembered fondly. God Bless."*

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**Jim Findlay** - October 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BA

“*" "Dr Tan was a very wonderful man. He was our doctor for about 20 years up until his retirement. He was always there when you needed him even on his retirement years.He treated all his patients the way he wanted to be treated. We will surely miss and remember him forever. God Bless and Rest in Peace. We love you !""*

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**Basil** - October 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JE

“*"Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. A mass of remembrance will be said in your fathers name."*

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**gerald** - October 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DK

“*"My Mom worked for Dr Tan for a # of years and he was an amazing doctor. You will be missed. Rest in Peace."*

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**Dan Kushner** - October 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

FM

“*"T.L. may you rest in peace. You will always be remembered fondly in Rochester and at Crittenton Hospital. God Bless."*

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**fred maibauer md** - October 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“*"A really nice man and a real gentleman! Best wishes to family J.Tom"*

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**A friend** - October 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BO

“*"Our deepest sympathies to all the Tan family. We knew Dr. TAN as his patient and as an elementary teacher of two of his children. Dr. Tan was a wonderful man."*

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**Bobbie** - October 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM