

Frank Lee (1924-2016)

Obituary



Frank Yim Lee

April 14, 1924 - January 7, 2016

Frank Yim Lee, 91, passed away Thursday, January 7, 2016 at the Idaho State Veterans Home in Boise, ID. Frank was the middle child of seven siblings, born in the Mojave desert in the little town of Ludlow, California, April 14, 1924 to parents Lee Yim and Gin Shee. He graduated from Barstow High School in 1941. He was drafted into the Army and served in Saipan and

Iwo Jima before being honorably discharged in October 1946.

He married Margaret Gee on June 18, 1950 and they began their lives together in Los Angeles. Frank graduated from University of Southern California in 1953, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Management. For seventeen years, he worked at Hoffman Laboratories and Magnavox Research Laboratories. In 1970, Frank & Marge bought Parma Lumber and moved the family to Parma, Idaho, enabling Frank to better pursue his passion for hunting and fishing. He loved Parma and was active in the community until he suffered a stroke just after his 80th birthday. Frank was instrumental in helping start the little league baseball program and the Parma Rod and Gun Club gun range. He helped to put lights on the tennis courts and was the head chef for the Rod & Gun Club's famous Wild Game Dinner for many years. Frank also taught Chinese Cooking classes at TVCC, was willing to donate buckets of fried rice for virtually every fund-raiser in town, and loved to cook for God's Gang ministry at Sterry Memorial Church in Roswell. He served on the Parma Planning and Zoning committee for over 30 years and taught hunter's safety for 35+ years. In 2010, Frank received the Bruce Mitchell Community Service Award for his contributions to the Parma community.

Frank spent his last 11 years at the Idaho State Veterans Home in Boise, where he received superb personal care and loving affection from all of the staff and especially those involved in his direct care.

Frank was preceded in death by his beloved wife Margaret. He is survived by his

children, Larry Lee, Merri (Rick) Williams, Carrie (Jon) Babcock, Jerry (Maria) Lee; and grandchildren Nicole, Marcus, Jordan and Andy.

A memorial service to celebrate Frank's life will be held on February 6, 2016, 1PM at Sterry Memorial Church, 28531 Hwy 18 in Roswell (just outside of Parma).

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to:

Idaho State Veterans Home, 320 Collins, Boise, ID 83702

Sterry Memorial Church, PO Box 655, Parma, ID 83660

Parma Rod & Gun Club, PO Box 1414, Caldwell, ID 83606

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