



## Susan Lai Kuen Tham

May 27, 1946 - June 1, 2021

Mrs Susan Lai Kuen Tham passed away peacefully on 1st June 2021

Beloved wife of Tony Tham

Adored mother of Kevin Tham

Aged 75 years. Will be sadly missed and forever in our hearts.

For friends and relatives who are not able to attend the service in person, live-streaming service will be available through the link below:

<https://streaming.funeralsuite.com.au/e/LnxepWAJ>

PIN: 9035

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart Foundation or directly to the family will be greatly appreciated. If you wish to send your condolences through donations, there will be a donation box available on the day of the service. For family and friends that are overseas, please email the family directly.

If you still prefer to send flowers to the service, please contact Galaxy funerals (via email below) to arrange:

email: [info@galaxyfunerals.com.au](mailto:info@galaxyfunerals.com.au)

last order: Tuesday, 8th June 2021 (3:00pm)

The family will have a Buddhist chanting service at 10:15am, and the official funeral ceremony for family and friends at 11:15am - 12:00pm.

Order of the ceremony:

Private buddhist chanting ceremony

Farewells to Susan by flower offering

Opening Remarks

Eulogy and Family Tribute

Visual Tribute

Word of Thanks and Announcement

Closing Remarks

Individual light refreshment packs

# Previous Events

## **Buddhist Chanting Service**

JUN 10. 10:15 AM (AEST)

Macquarie Park Cemetery and Crematorium (Palm Chapel)  
Delhi Rd & Plassey Rd  
Macquarie Park, NSW 2113 (AU)  
<https://nmclm.com.au/locations/macquarie-park/>

## **Funeral Ceremony**

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# Tribute Wall

JT

“ *Aunty Susan (3 sum),*

*You may be gone for now but you live forever in my memories and in my hearts, because you have given us a lifetime of memories filled with laughter, joy and happiness.*

*Thank you so much for who you were, I love you and I wish you a peaceful sleep. May you rest in peace.*

*My deepest condolences to Uncle Tony (3 sok) and Brother Kevin.*

*Love,  
Jessica Tham*

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**Jessica Tham** - June 09, 2021 at 10:56 AM



TF

“ 三嬸：我是逸輝。

*親愛的三嬸，感謝你那麼多年來帶給我們美好的回憶，每次都很開心也很期待著三叔，三嬸和KEVIN回來團聚的時刻，還有感謝三嬸的邀請我和CONNIE一塊去SHANGRI-LA吃自助餐，還有很多美好的回憶我全都會記在心裡，永遠不會忘記和感恩，謝謝你三嬸，永遠愛你❤️*

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**Tony Tham Yat Fai** - June 09, 2021 at 09:49 AM



CT

“ *My Beloved Auntie Susan,*

*You were the most gentle, selfless, cheerful, fun-loving lady. You were a delight to be around and always doing something for someone. Despite your illness, you were always encouraging us to cheer up and showing us the positives. You were such an incredible strong lady that I have ever met.*

*Saying goodbye is really heartbreaking and it breaks my heart even more that I'm so far away that I can't be there to bid you the final good bye.*

*Aunt, I doubt if we will ever be able to get over the pain of your death but I believe that you are now in a better place, free from sickness and pain.*

*I miss you so much, more than words can ever say, my precious memories of you are with me every day. I wish you peace and will always love you.*

*Uncle Tony and Kevin,*

*My heart and prayers go out to both of you in your time of sorrow. Auntie Susan was an amazing lady. Thus someone so special can never be forgotten. May time help you heal and bring you peace. Take care.*



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Connie Tham - June 09, 2021 at 09:18 AM

JT

“ *Aunty Susan, I can't explain how much I'd really miss you. I wish you farewell in your journey to eternity. You'd never be forgotten and thank you so much for every advise you had given me. May your soul rest in peace.*



*My deepest condolences to Uncle Tony and Brother Kevin. Please take care and be strong.*

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**Jenny Tham** - June 09, 2021 at 08:49 AM

DL

“ *To our beloved Auntie Susan,*

*Although you're gone from our sight, but never from our hearts. Your beautiful smile, laughter and kindness will always be remembered.*

*May your heart and soul find peace and comfort.*

*Thinking of you.  
Danny & Yan Ling*



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**Danny Tham & Yan Ling** - June 09, 2021 at 08:48 AM

CA

“ Susan was such a kind hearted, warm, generous and loving person. She never had a bad word to say about anyone. She was one of a kind and will be sorely missed. Susan and Tony took me under their wings when I started my accounting career. Tony showed me the ropes and Susan imparted her life lessons to me. I wish I had made more of an effort to keep in touch with them in recent times and most of all I wish I could give Susan another hug. Tony and Kevin my deepest sympathies to you both. Just know that Susan is no longer suffering and will forever be in your hearts.

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**Carol** - June 09, 2021 at 07:57 AM

MW

“ Our deepest condolences to Tony and Kevin Although we have met for so many years since we moved to Australia your generosity and hospitality is forever in my heart The numerous weekly dinners I had in your place in London will always be in my memory and most grateful to you Michael and Lai Wah

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**Michael Wong** - June 08, 2021 at 11:22 PM

MW

*Typo should be we have not met for so many years*

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**Michael Wong** - June 08, 2021 at 11:40 PM

PI

“ *My beloved cousin, you will always have a special place in my heart. You featured a big part in my childhood and continued to be a presence throughout the years. You belong to my generation and is part of my history! Thus, your sudden demise leaves a vacuum in my life. At the same time, many memories come flooding back of the generous, kind and vibrant soul that you were, the happy times we had spent together, the things you had said, the wisdom you shared ... Thank you for having been in my life. You will be dearly missed, Susan! Peace be with you after this Earth journey. Love.*

*To Tony and Kevin, I feel your deep loss. Be strong and take care. I have your back!*

*Pik*

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**Pik** - June 08, 2021 at 10:17 PM

MJ

“ *Dear Tony and Kevin, Our deepest condolences on the sad passing away of a very dear friend, Susan. I first met Susan and Tony in Kuching, Sarawak in 1968 when Tony and Mohan were posted there serving in the Malaysian Army. I stayed with Tony and Susan in their married quarter. Our friendship has continued despite a break when we lost contact whilst the Tham family were in the UK.*

*Our children Lakshman and Jay have fond memories of aunty Susan and send their condolences.*

*Tony and Kevin, we share in your sorrow. May Susan rest in peace.*

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**Mohan and Radha Jayaram** - June 08, 2021 at 08:29 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to our beloved uncle Tony and Kevin. Aunty Susan we will miss you and love you forever. RIP..*



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**Evi Tham Cheng Wan** - June 08, 2021 at 11:35 AM

PG

“ *Dear Tony*

*Malcolm and I are truly saddened to hear the passing of Susan.*

*Whilst we understand the pain of your loss at this moment is very raw, we trust that in the fullness of time it will begin to heal.*

*We send to you our deepest condolences. We are thinking of you.*

*Phaik Guat & Malcolm*

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**Phaik Guat & Malcolm Gan** - June 08, 2021 at 01:35 AM

DC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**David Chin** - June 07, 2021 at 10:34 PM

AP

“ *Susan will be remembered by us in our hearts as a gracious lady and a good friend, always smiling and radiant with warmth and kindness. RIP*



*Our heartfelt condolences Tony and Karin. Our thoughts are always with you,*

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**Angie & Philip** - June 07, 2021 at 06:03 PM

WA

“ *RIP Aunty Susan,  
Your kindness and smile is in our memories!*



*Uncle Tony and Kevin,  
Our deepest condolences !  
Do take good care and be strong!*

*Ang & Family*

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**Welton Ang** - June 07, 2021 at 10:29 AM

JF

“ Susan was such a joy. Her kindness and enthusiasm was irresistible. During the years we were living in the UK together, her contribution to our regular weekend Malaysian nights was wonderful. She was always happy and joyful and her good spirits lifted us all. This continued when they moved in Sydney. I have many photos of herself and Tony gleefully preparing seafood for the memorable dinners that followed. Thank you Susan for being such a lovely person and bringing so much light into the world. We will miss you but be forever grateful for who you were and all you gave. Our love and best wishes go to Tony, Kevin and family for their loss. The Franklin Family (John, Leon and Alicia).



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**John Franklin** - June 06, 2021 at 10:43 PM

MG

*I was one of the group of Malaysians in UK in the 70s and was lucky to spend so many weekends together with Susan, Tony and Kevin and the rest of the group. Although we have not seen each other for more than 20 years , we have kept in touch. Susan always had a lovely smile, was kind, sociable and a good cook. Andy and I are lucky to have been in her life. RIP and our thoughts are with you both, Tony and Kevin. Margaret and Andy*

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**Margaret Garbett** - June 08, 2021 at 04:31 AM

TH

“ Uncle Tony, we send our heartfelt condolences to you and your family. May your loving memories, to hold forever in your heart bring warmth, peace and comfort in the days ahead. Our caring thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Tee Han, Vivian & family.*

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**Tee Han** - June 06, 2021 at 05:48 AM

LY

“親愛的Susan:

您的離去，令我想起《無常經》中的兩句經文：「未曾有一事，不被無常吞」。真是世相無常，人事變幻。二十多年的友情，委實難以忘懷，內心泛起無盡的哀思，實有萬般的不捨！您那燦爛甜美的笑容、和顏悅色的儀表，將永遠留在我的心坎裏。

祝願您在佛菩薩的慈光護念下，往生佛國淨土，精進修學佛法，乘願再來人間，踏上菩提大道，堅定菩提願心，實踐菩薩願行！

Linda 恭敬合十

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Linda Yeung - June 04, 2021 at 03:16 AM

JS

*Susan, was hoping to meet up last year with you and Tony in Sydney but due to the virus, it was not to be.*

*Remembering you Susan is remembering your broad smile and your sparkling eyes.*

*Remembering you is remembering those days in London when I was young and lost and Tony and you were icons of stability and good conduct.*

*Remembering you is remembering those generous open days you and Tony used to hold for Chinese New Year.*

*You have embarked on a journey to a better world. Hopefully one day we will all meet up again.*

*It only remains for me to wish you a safe journey. Tony knows that he can count on me anytime.*

*My most sincere condolences to my adopted brother Tony and Kevin. God bless. Jon*

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Jon Saw - June 05, 2021 at 11:29 AM

FH

“ Susan had been a valued foundation member of the small West 1 branch of the original Nan Tien Temple Buddhist Light Association (BLIA) She was happy, devoted and most dedicated in looking after the welfare of many of our senior members as well as backbone to promote our activities such as the Buddhist birthday and fund raising for the construction of the Nantien temple and Vihara. For all her valued contributions I am most grateful and regrettably missed contact with her in recent years and saddened to hear of her departure. May her find peace in the Western Pure Land. Sadly missed by Frank and Celeste Ho

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**Frank and Celeste Ho** - June 03, 2021 at 10:44 PM



“ A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves, for they are still alive in our hearts and minds, through us, they live on. Surely Susan 三表嫂 will not be forgotten.

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**Jenny Kan** - June 03, 2021 at 08:25 PM

CP

“ A beautiful woman with a beautiful soul.  
Goodnight my dearest friend  
And a flight of angels sing you to your rest.  
Missing you but will treasure the happy memories of our shared adolescent years.  
Love Chee (London)

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**Chee Prem** - June 03, 2021 at 10:36 AM

SK

“ *I will miss Lai Kuen .  
I'm very Sad that you've left us .  
But Glad that we met up again 2 yrs ago ( Since the the time you  
left M'sia.)  
We had a Great Time of sharing of our Sweet Memories of our  
teenage fun times .  
You will be Forever in my Heart .  
Our Deepest Condolences Tony & Kevin.  
God's Peace Be With You .*

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**Susan Kong** - June 03, 2021 at 06:31 AM

NC

“ *Our Deepest Sympathies to you Tony and Kevin.  
Susan is now free of all pains and is at Rest.  
Remember the Happy Times you shared together and as a Family  
We will remember her Smile and Kindness  
Narelle David Chen and Families*

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**Narelle & David Chen** - June 03, 2021 at 06:03 AM

ME

“ Dear cousin sister, Susan  
Your sudden departure was indeed a shock to all of us ! I am glad to have some good Whatsapp conversation with you this year, sharing with each other the Covid fear that was happening around us. I regret not calling you last month but postponing it to somewhere this week. I cherish the cooking tips, hints, advice and encouragement you gave in my cooking and food presentation. We laughed over the phone on the food we shared in Facebook. Little did I realised you were my avid fan and always catching up in what I cooked. Your warm friendship and frankness have touched me to speak to you comfortably on any subjects under the roof.  
Piu Cheh, now that you are in a much better place with no more pain nor suffering, may you rest in peace ! The fond memory of your smiling face will always linger on my mind forever.  
Tony & Kevin : Our deepest condolence to both of you. Life has to go on. Please do take care.  
Melinda, Andy, Denise, James, Edina & Carl

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**Melinda** - June 03, 2021 at 05:49 AM

SE

Dear Tony and Kevin, Gaik and I were shocked to hear the news on the sudden demise of our friend, Susan. Our deepest condolences to you both. Susan has such a vibrant personality, always positive, happy and capable lady. We know she had a great life with you Tony, traveling and seeing the world. We shall miss her and may she Rest In Peace. Take care and stay safe Tony and Kevin.  
Seng and Gaik

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**Seng** - June 07, 2021 at 07:43 AM

ET

“ *May Susan's soul be at peace with our Heavenly Buddha. We pray for peace and comfort for you and your love ones at this difficult time. Deepest sympathies & condolences to you all. We are all here for you.*

*EH, Ping and family.*

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**E. H. Tan** - June 03, 2021 at 05:06 AM

SN

“ *RIP Susan  
Lilian and Simon Choon wish you immediate rebirth in the Pureland of Buddha Amitabha and eventual enlightenment.*

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**Simon choon ng** - June 03, 2021 at 04:51 AM



“ *Dear Susan. Before I can visit you again God has called you home. Despite the thousands of kilometres between us, I shall always remember the many good times we had in Malaysia during those good old and fun days. Friendship is just so priceless but despite you, Tony and Kevin being in Sydney and me mostly in Dubai, whatsapp and Facebook has kept us in touch...RIP my dear friend. I shall always cherish our friendship...Tony and Kevin, my deepest condolence to you both for your great loss. Do be strong and take care of yourselves.*

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**Rosalind Low** - June 03, 2021 at 03:25 AM

AF

“ To my dearest sister, Ku Po, aunty Susan,

*Thank you for all the joy you gave, support you've given to our family and the precious memories which you left behind for us to cherish. Time may pass and fade away but memories doesn't. May you rest in eternal peace and our deepest condolences to your family in this hard time.*



*From Your brother Chin Fook Yee, Mary, Jesley, Ashley, Kenneth, Justine.*

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**Ashley and family** - June 03, 2021 at 02:47 AM

JM

“ Susan, if I had of known you were leaving me I would of hugged you longer 😊.

*Who would of imagined we would still be friends for so long after working together at Westpac.*

*I am a better person for knowing you 'My Wise Friend' you taught me about myself and life.*

*I will miss you very much 😭 But I have great memories to hang on to.*

*RIP My friend. Love Jo McConnell xxxx*

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**Joanne McConnell** - June 03, 2021 at 02:01 AM

EK

“ We will miss our cousin dearly. Knowing she's in a better place gives us comfort. May she rest in peace

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**Elaine Wong & family fr KL** - June 03, 2021 at 01:41 AM

JI

“ We will always remember your smile and kindness. RIP. God bless.

Jimmy - June 03, 2021 at 01:28 AM

ED

“ Edmund lit a candle in memory of Susan Lai Kuen Tham



Edmund - June 03, 2021 at 01:03 AM

ED

We will miss you, your smile and laugh and positive attitudes towards everything. RIP

Edmund - June 03, 2021 at 01:04 AM

TY

“ A wonderful friend and we will certainly miss you. Thank you for the good times we had together with Tony and your family . Rest in Peace . God Bless

Tee Poi Yong - June 03, 2021 at 12:34 AM

RW

“ Robert TY Wong lit a candle in memory of Susan Lai Kuen Tham



Robert TY Wong - June 03, 2021 at 12:07 AM

RW

*Goodbye dear cousin Lai Kuen. All of us from the Wongs household will miss you dearly especially your ever smiling face. RIP*

**Robert TY Wong** - June 03, 2021 at 12:14 AM

JW

*“ We will miss you, dear cousin. Rest in peace.*

**Joe Wong** - June 02, 2021 at 11:51 PM

YC

*“ Lai Ching and I had the pleasure of knowing Susan when we were in our youthful days in London in the 70s. We had fond memories of her as a good friend, always smiling and always warm n hospitable when we visited her home. She has been a good mother n a good wife to Tony. God bless her soul*

**Yeow Teck Chai** - June 02, 2021 at 11:24 PM

DT

*Jimmy and I have very fond memories of the « gang » younger days in London, playing badminton and enjoying a good « makan » afterwards. We will remember Susan as very kind hearted, a smiley face and always preparing nice Malaysian dishes for all of us. The good times we have shared with her and Tony will stay forever in our hearts. Rest in peace . God will look after her on her journey. Dominique and Jimmy*

**Dominique and Jimmy Tai** - June 04, 2021 at 07:26 AM