



## Agnes Yu-wen Han Lee

March 9, 1932 - April 4, 2023

Agnes Yu-wen Han Lee passed away on April 4, 2023 at Township Senior Living in Battlefield, MO, at the age of 91. She was born March 9, 1932 in Penglai city, Shandong Province, China to the late Yin Cheng Han and I Jung Yang.

She was a survivor of the Second Sino-Japanese War (1937-1945). On her first day of school, the Japanese started bombing and then invaded her hometown of Penglai. During the Chinese Civil War (1945-1949), between the Nationalist and the Communist, she was a refugee and moved with her family to Taiwan.

In Taiwan she finished her high school education and attended National Taiwan University in Taipei, Taiwan where she received a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. She then earned her Master of Science in Chemical Engineering at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.

She married Shen Lee in Seattle, Washington in 1960. Agnes and Shen spent over 40 years in Rolla, MO. She worked as a chemical engineer for the US Department of the Interior at the Bureau of Mines in Rolla, MO. During her work at the Bureau of Mines, she secured two patents and received numerous awards. She was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Rolla.

Agnes retired from chemical engineering and became the caregiver for her father-in-law and both of her parents until their deaths. Agnes and Shen then moved to Springfield, MO in 2010 to be closer to their son, David, and his family. She became the primary babysitter for their three granddaughters. She also became the caregiver for her husband until his death in 2018. She was an active member of Wesley United Methodist Church in Springfield, MO until her health declined and she moved into Township Assisted Living in 2020.

In addition to her parents, Agnes was preceded in death by her husband Shen Lee and great grandchildren, Lane and Landon Johnston.

She is survived by her daughter, Dr. Helen Johnston and son-in-law Jon Johnston; her son Dr. David Lee and daughter-in-law Dr. Carrie Lee, five grandchildren: Kristopher Johnston and wife Stephanie, CPT Eric Johnston, Erin Lee, Rachel Lee, Nora Lee, and two great-grandsons: Allen Johnston and Fletcher Johnston, the sons of Kristopher and Stephanie Johnston.

Agnes is also survived by her brother Yupin Han and many nieces and nephews. She will be missed dearly by all that knew her. Agnes will be remembered as a well-educated, strong woman who survived difficult circumstances, and for her selflessness and dedication to her family.

The family would like to thank the staff of Township Senior Living for the exceptional care and love they provided to Agnes. We would also like to thank CoxHeath at Home Hospice and Visiting Angels Living Assistance Services for the compassionate end of life care they provided to Agnes.

Funeral services for Agnes Lee will be held at 11:00 am, Saturday April 29, 2023 at the Rolla Chapel of the James and Gahr Mortuary, Rolla, Missouri. Interment will be held in the Ozark Hills Memorial Garden, Rolla, Missouri. Visitation for family and friends will be held prior to the service from 10:00 am

until service time at 11:00 am, also at the Rolla chapel of the James and Gahr Mortuary. Memorials are suggested to Convoy of Hope in Springfield, MO, [convoyofhope.org](http://convoyofhope.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Ozark Hills Memorial Gardens

Rolla, MO 65401

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Rolla  
1651 E. Hwy 72  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Agnes Yu-wen Han Lee.* ”



April 26, 2023 at 10:47 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Agnes Yu-wen Han Lee.* ”



April 26, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Agnes Yu-wen Han Lee.* ”



April 25, 2023 at 12:25 PM



“ *From Diana & Fu Chu Lee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Agnes Yu-wen Han Lee.* ”



**From Diana & Fu Chu Lee - April 23, 2023 at 12:09 PM**

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“ *Love your Highlands Pediatrics Family purchased the My Soul Lives On Blanket for the family of Agnes Yu-wen Han Lee.*



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**Love your Highlands Pediatrics Family** - April 20, 2023 at 02:09 PM

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“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you, David and Helen, and your families.*

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**Joy Munsey** - April 10, 2023 at 09:32 AM