



IN MEMORIAM

Yong Chen Chu
Professor of Asian Languages & Cultures, Emeritus
UC Los Angeles
1917 – 2005

Yong Chen (Joseph Paul) Chu longtime supporter of the Chinese program at UCLA and an emeriti of the Asian Languages and Cultures department passed away on November 9, 2005. He was 88.

Chu joined the UCLA Department of Asian Languages and Cultures (then called Oriental Languages) in 1947 and retired in July of 1988. During his 41 years tenure as a Senior Lecturer, he taught Elementary Modern Chinese, Elementary Modern Chinese for Advanced Beginners, Advanced Modern Chinese, and Advanced Reading in Modern Chinese. Chu was a great supporter of the Chinese program at UCLA, and a tireless teacher imparting the Chinese culture to all those who would listen.

Yong Chen Chu was born October 5, 1917 in a tin mining town of Gopeng, Malaysia but grew up in Ipoh, Perak. He attended Qing Ling University in Nanjing (which later relocated to Chengdu) and received his Bachelor's of Arts in 1939. In 1940, Chu was admitted to the University of California, Berkeley where he received his Master's Degree in 1941. He taught at the University of Colorado in Boulder before joining UCLA.

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