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Cheetahs

Peter_Judy Lee, Gus_Betty Yeung, 契媽 and I are at Changi airport heading back towards Hong Kong and our respective homes. We left Patrick yesterday at Singapore General Hospital, Dorothy and Raymond remained at his side. He is thin, but he is not in any pain or discomfort. I know in my heart that I have seen my friend for the very last time.

Patrick is weak and he struggled with his speech. He smiled at us, we knew he acknowledged us and was glad to be among Cheetahs. I miss him dearly. Prior to March 30, 2008 - I never dreamt I would have this day.

Philip Lee's call embarked me on the journey of my life, and I once again touched my friends once lost to me. Yet again I stand to lose a friend, just as I did Carmelo and Philip.

I implore you my friends to share many more touches with me, even if it is a mere meal, bowl of noodles, or a cup of tea. It was mentioned that we gather again in Winnipeg before the end of our LG's term. Let us plan something, anything.

Take care, my friends.

Roy

Tuesday, 21/05/2013

To Patrick and his family,

I want to thank you, Patrick and your family for having been reconnected with all the Cheetahs and to Ambrose (Roy) for providing an update on Patrick's state of health after his visit to Singapore. While we are not able to join some Cheetahs and Kai Ma to be at Singapore last week, our hearts have been following their travel and were spiritually present with you all this time.

Patrick, I want you to know that you are not only loved by the Cheetahs; even my children are very much attached to you as a person of character and integrity. When I read Roy's report by E-mail on your present state of health to my daughters, tears were coming out from their eyes. Praying for a miracle is a must as far as the Cheetahs and their families are concerned. We all admire your courage to put up a brave fight and would never declare that it is over until you decide it is over. Having grown up together for over sixty some years through our days in Wah Yan has to be a destiny for all of us. We all will face our days of sunset at some point in time. Some may be sooner and some might be a little later and eventually we shall all meet again on earth or in Heaven. Patrick, we are all proud of the fact that you have led a good life and have a wonderful family which we all should emulate. I am holding off my emotion as Roy did when he crafted his E-mail after he saw you at the Singapore General Hospital.

Remember our slogan, we are all for one and one for all.

Regards,

Sai Fei (Philip Lee)

The Honourable Philip S. Lee, C.M., O.M., LL.D.

Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba

Dear Brother Philip,

Thanks very much for a very nice letter that reflects our thoughts and love for Patrick.

I am sure that many of his 60 WYK school mates will send his family more attributes in the near future.

Something is "lost" without Patrick in our reunion in the future and it would be tough to fulfill this unexpected vacuum.

Hope Patrick will continue to "bless" all the Cheetah Brothers and respective spouses and family members in spirit.

Both Livia and I will come to the next reunion in Manitoba as you and Roy had indicated and suggested.

With prayers from our hearts,

Joe

23/05/2013

Dear Raymond, Sabrina and Dorothy,

Without any doubt, we, the Cheetahs, have lost a wonderful friends whom all of us admired.

His humble simplicity, generous service, persistent kindness and true friendship have established deeply in our hearts and souls.

He had said to me when we had our reunion in Manitoba, "Joe, this is from one retiree to another one: Don't commit to anything include volunteer work until you have figured out what you truly like or want to do. Always make plans for --> WHAT IF THIS HAPPENS instead of what you think would happen. Try to control your choices but keep everything SIMPLE".

Thanks for those photos which bring back lotsof sweet memories and they will be cherished in our hearts for a very long time.

We sinerely hope that you, Sabrina and Dorothy can join us in our future re-unions whenever all of you have some times.

Best,

Joe and Livia Li

Dear All,

Thank you so much for your kind support and love during this time. We consider it a tremendous blessing and gift that due to my father's fighting spirit- he was able to spend quality time with many of you in the past few months. Please know that he loved you all so very much- and could not have been more proud to be a Yeung & a Cheetah. My father and I spent many a moment in recent times recounting his great joy at a life well spent with wonderful family and fantastic friends.

Today- as per his strong wishes- we had a quiet ceremony with his immediate family only. My father felt that every minute spent with loved ones while he was alive was a treasure- and made it very clear to us that he did not want pomp and circumstance when he decided to take the next step in his journey.

I have attached some photos to share with all of you- his beloved family and Cheetah friends.



One of them is on the 1st day of the Cheetah visit.

The other photos are of the ceremony today. You will notice that we have dressed my father in his favorite golf shirt (with glasses and khaki pants underneath) to be fit for the travels ahead. Within his travel vehicle- the pieces of paper are print outs of all of your loving messages (including Philip's beautiful message) that he can read during his next journey. The 3 roses inside represent my mother- my sister- and myself. **The 3 roses on top of the travel vehicle represent: 1. Uncle Jimmy's family 2. Uncle Gus' family 3. The Cheetahs.**

Thanks again for the incredible support. My father and our family have appreciated it more than words can say.

Much Love-

Raymond

Dorothy

Sabrina

... and safe travels Dad- we will keep you in our hearts forever...

Hi Raymond

Many thanks for your email. Kindly send our regards to Dorothy. The Yeung family is still very much part of the Cheetah Family and we look forward to seeing you in our future Cheetah reunion.

Kindest regards

Hilary

Three '60s came to the '61 WYKers' Reunion held in Vancouver in 2008: Ambrose (Roy) Tsang from US, Phillip Lee from Manitoba (just before his becoming Lieutenant-Governor), and Patrick Yeung from Singapore. They came because of Carmelo Leung's call. Carmelo could not make it because of illness but he telephoned. A '61 cheetah came and that was Michael Lee. (Noel Hui a cheetah?) So there's a mini-reunion of cheetahs among the bigger circle of the reunion of '61 grads.

Another old WY boy passed away. It's sad! May the example of the cheetahs keep up the spirit of solidarity among us

Our sincere condolences to the Yeung family.

Gilbert Chinn and Yu Fong-ying

Vancouver, 24 May 2013

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Dear Raymond,

I am devastated by your father's passing away. He is a true brother to me and is a great lost. My deepest condolences to you, your mother and sister.

Best regards,

Aunty Lillian

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Dear Raymond,

Thank you for sharing with us on your father's funeral.

We all are blessed to have known and befriended your father. Before he fell ill, he was present in every reunion the Cheetahs held since 2008, despite the long distance between Singapore and North America.

Actually, he was the main driving force to make these reunions possible.

We will forever miss him and his smile. He will always be in his Cheetah brothers' heart.

Again, please convey our condolence to your mother and sister for their loss.

God bless

Noel

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Dear Family & Cheetahs,

Thank you for all of your supportive words, calls, and caring during this time. We very much appreciate all of the love.

I thought it might be good to also share with you a bit of my father's work-side of his life... as we continue to receive messages, flowers, etc. from the large & connected network he built in Singapore and across Asia. Dad was very good at the work-hard & play-hard life and generally separated the 2 areas distinctly.

I've attached a sampling of the messages that we continue to receive within the Word Document. In addition, since we did not hold a wake, some of the companies, individuals, and government officials connected to Dad decided to spend money (thousands of dollars actually) on beautiful obituaries commemorating Dad in the national newspaper, the Straits Times. I have scanned them and attached them as well.

Love,

Raymond

PS- If you have Facebook, there are some nice messages posted on Dad's page.

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Dear Raymond:

Thank you very much for sharing all the messages with us. I remember the day he accepted the job offer from Schering Plough to go to Singapore. He was in Toronto that day and he and I went golfing. He had to make the phone call during the game. I remembered he mentioned that the job was a great opportunity for him because it allowed him to build something and see the result of it. He was the person behind building the multi-billion dollar manufacturing facilities in Singapore. To him the whole thing was a big accomplishment.

Gus

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Raymond

Thank you for sharing, it certainly put a smile on my face. Knowing Patrick as we have, it is expected to see the homage being paid to him. I smiled knowing we knew him way back when he was "bai-ga".

Take care of you and family, and I hope to see you again soon.

Ambrose aka Roy

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Dear Raymond

Thank you for sharing such personal aspects of Patricks life. Your family must feel very proud of him and I feel so privileged to be his cheetah friend. He has achieved what most would aspire - to spend a worthwhile life and be remembered and missed after our passing.

With kindest regards to Dorothy, you and Sabrina.

Hilary

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