



Mr. Tam writes from Hong Kong on November 27, 2009, “ ... Just returned from attending the requiem mass for Mrs Ma. See photos attached. It took place at the funeral hall inside the Hong Kong Funeral Home at North Point. The walls of the hall were lined with fragrant floral wreaths and baskets. The mass was said by Rev Fr Chow. Although the mass was not held inside a church, it was well attended by her family members, friends, her former colleagues and students. Among her former Wah Yan colleagues were Mr Norman So, Mr So Wai Hong, Mr Yu Boon Leung and myself. Dr John Tan was also present. I believe many who attended the ceremony were her students. Many of them I did not recognize. Among those I recognized were four 1961 grads: Chiu Hay Kau, Wu Hor Moon, Harry Aitken, Mak Wai Kay, and two 1975 grads: Keung Yiu Ming, Lau Wai Hung. From the speech given by her grandson, I learnt that Mrs Ma was 96 years of age and that she left this world in her sleep without suffering from disease or pain. When I attended the Wah Yan One Family 80th and 85th Anniversaries Gala Dinner in 2004, I was sitting at the same table with Mrs Ko and Mrs Ma and that was the last time I had a conversation with them. When I attend the Gratitude Dinner to celebrate Wah Yan's 85th and 90th Anniversaries on 13 Dec this year, I shall miss both of them. I do hope you will be able to come to Hong Kong to join the party of Wah Yan One Family this year.”