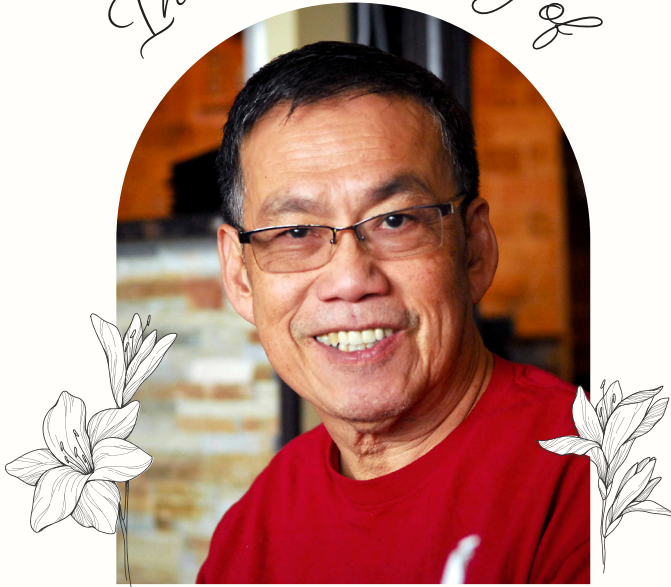


*In loving memory of*



# Peter Li

JUNE 10, 1949 – FEBRUARY 13, 2026

March 8, 2026, 2pm  
150 Bella Vista Dr. Madison, Wisconsin

# Peter Li

1949-2026

Peter Li, beloved husband, father, and friend, went peacefully in his sleep to be with the LORD at the age of 76 on February 13, 2026.

Peter is survived by his wife of 49 years, Leanne; his three children (and their spouses), Lynnette (John), Laura (Pat), and Timothy (Melissa); and his four grandchildren, Lena, Jonah, Lexi, and Kyan. The eldest of ten children, he is survived by siblings Lily, John, James, Tenny, Philip, and Nathaniel.

Peter was born on June 10, 1949 in Naga City, Philippines. Growing up in his family's church, he put his faith in Jesus Christ and was baptized at age 16. He first met Leanne in 1971, before coming to study in the United States, where he earned two master's degrees and a PhD at the University of Iowa.

After a courtship via Transpacific airmail, Peter and Leanne married in 1977 and soon moved to Detroit, where they raised their family and lived for nearly 40 years. Peter spent his whole career as a research scientist for Ford Motor Company, supporting his family and putting his children through college. A few years after retiring, Peter suffered a massive stroke in 2009. In 2017, he and Leanne moved to Madison.

In Detroit, Peter devoted his energy to his community and hobbies. He served his church as a firecracker deacon, long-time choir director, volleyball coach, and outspoken member of multiple fellowships. His many hobbies included sports (volleyball, ping pong, golf, softball, pickleball, etc.), painting, drawing, crafting, building, fishing, camping, and music. In Madison, Peter loved chatting with everyone and playing ping pong as a regular at the Madison Senior Center.

Peter was a respected colleague, beloved community leader, and a faithful husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.



# Order of Service

Welcoming Music

Pianist: Erin Fox

Opening Remarks  
& Prayer

Greg Haskell

Hymns

Pianist: Ingrid Gruett

*He Lives*

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Music

Peter's siblings

& Reflections

Lexi & Kyan Li-Barbour

Jonah Rappaport

Lena Rappaport

Timothy Li

Scripture Reading

Laura Li-Barbour

*Psalms 23*

Eulogy

Lynnette Li-Rappaport

Words of Comfort

Greg Haskell

Tribute

Epitaph

Timothy Li

Benediction

Larry Farnen

Hymn

*All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

*Epitaph* 

When I die  
Give what's left of me away  
To children  
And old men that wait to die.

And if you need to cry,  
Cry for your brother  
Walking the street beside you.  
And when you need me,  
Put your arms  
Around anyone  
And give them  
What you need to give to me.

I want to leave you something,  
Something better  
Than words  
Or sounds.

Look for me  
In the people I've known  
Or loved,  
And if you cannot give me away,  
At least let me live on your eyes  
And not on your mind.

You can love me most  
By letting  
hands touch hands,  
By letting  
Bodies touch bodies,  
And by letting go  
Of children  
That need to be free.

Love doesn't die,  
People do.  
So, when all that's left of me  
Is love,  
Give me away.

I'll see you at home  
In the earth.

– Merrit Malloy, 1975

*All the Way My  
Savior Leads Me* 

All the way my Savior leads me.  
What have I to ask beside?  
Can I doubt his tender mercy,  
Who thru' life has been my Guide?  
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,  
Here by faith in him to dwell!  
For I know, whate'er befall me,  
Jesus fashions all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me,  
Cheers each winding path I tread;  
Gives me grace for ev'ry trial,  
Feeds me with the living Bread.  
Tho' my weary steps may falter,  
And my soul athirst may be,  
Gushing from the Rock before me,  
Lo! A spring of joy I see.

All the way my Savior leads me;  
Oh, the fullness of His love!  
Perfect rest to me is promised  
In my Father's house above.  
When my spirit, cloth'd immortal,  
Wings its flight to realms of day  
This my song thru' endless ages:  
Jesus led me all the way.

*This hymn was one of the first songs Leanne heard Peter sing,  
in the first few weeks after they started dating.*



*Thank you for watching*

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to:

Madison Senior Center  
Chinese Bible Church of Detroit's Mission Fund  
American Stroke Association

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