Wen Mou Chow  
1919 - 1991  
PROFESSOR OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCE, EMERITUS  

B.A., Chiao-Tun University (China); Sc.D., Chemical Engineering,  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, June 25, 1941  
California State University, Fullerton From September 1, 1969 To July 1, 1986  
Birth: April 2, 1919; Death: May 5, 1991  

Dr. Chow, a member of the Management Science Department for more  
than 20 years, passed away on May 5, 1991. He is survived by his wife of 40  
years, Diana, and two daughters.  

After his graduation from M.I.T., Dr. Chow spent many years as a  
chemical engineer with Union Carbide Corporation. He was very much a  
part of the birth of the computer age in the 1950's and 1960's. His experience at  
Union Carbide later proved to be invaluable to our department as we became  
involved in the early 1970's with the development of computer science and  
information systems courses and degree programs.  

Wen joined CSUF in 1969 when the Management Science Department  
had just 5 members. He was one of those rare persons whom a department  
chair really appreciates. He never complained about his teaching  
assignments. In those early days, when our resources were limited, he was  
especially valuable as one of the few individuals who could teach in three  
areas (information systems, operations research, and statistics).  

Wen was a quiet man. He was deeply devoted to his family, his home  
and garden, and to his teaching. We all knew that he disliked committees  
and meetings of all kinds, but he did his time on them without complaint.  
As a tribute to Wen, every one of our department meetings showed in the  
minutes (in violation of Robert's Rules) a motion to adjourn moved by  
Chow and seconded by Chow.  

Submitted by  
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