



## De Chao (Ralph) Chiao

April 12, 1952 - December 27, 2024

De Chao (Ralph) Chiao, 72, went home to God on December 27, 2024. Ralph was born on April 12, 1952 in Taipei, Taiwan. He is preceded in death by his parents. Ralph is survived by and will be deeply missed by his wife of 47 years, Pi-Chu Chiao; son, Yen-Hsien Samson (Maggie) Chiao and grandchildren, Gabby and Austen Chiao, daughter, Krystal (Jon) Nizar and grandsons, Isaiah, Evan and Caleb Nizar. Ralph is also survived by his siblings and many nieces and nephews.

Ralph met Pi-Chu at a St. Ignatius retreat for college students in Taiwan and they have been keeping the lamp of the gospel burning where all can see it to fulfill their mission to be the salt and the light of Jesus drawing everyone to Christ. Ralph was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather and taught his family the four ideals: 真、善、美、聖 (Veritas, Bonitas, Pulchritudo, Sanctitas in Latin), truth, goodness, beauty and sanctity.

Ralph was a witty, intelligent, and gregarious gentleman who could have a conversation with just about anyone. Ralph will be missed by all who knew him.

A brief viewing will be held at 10:00 at St. Andrew Parish, 1899 McCoy Road, Columbus, OH 43220 on Saturday January 4, 2025 followed by the Celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30, with burial at

Resurrection Cemetery in Lewis Center immediately afterwards. The Mass of Christian Burial will be livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/c/StAndrewUA> for friends and family who could not participate in person.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street  
Lewis Center, OH 43035

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Andrew Catholic Church  
1899 McCoy Rd  
Columbus, OH 43220  
(614) 451-4290

## Mass of Christian Burial

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Funeral Mass for De Chao "Ralph" Chiao // January 4, 2025, 10:30 a.m. // St. Andrew Parish can be viewed at: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ioxl\\_vvH7Ns](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ioxl_vvH7Ns)*

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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of De Chao (Ralph) Chiao.*



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