



Joung O. Suh

August 4, 1941 - June 19, 2024

Joung O. Suh, 84, of Dublin, Ohio, passed away on June 19, 2024. Born in South Korea, he was the eldest of eight and grew-up on a humble farm. Mr. Suh graduated from Yong In University, after serving in the Republic of Korea army.

At 28 years old, he left South Korea to build a better life for his family in Columbus, Ohio and live the American dream. A martial arts expert, Mr. Suh started as a dishwasher and also taught judo and karate at the YMCA, working his way up to Director.

Later, Mr. Suh embarked on a 39-year career with the Franklin County Prosecutor's office, starting as an investigator and retiring as Director of the Diversion Program. Here, he discovered his passion, helping first-time, non-violent offenders turn their lives around – guiding them toward productivity, community engagement, and accountability. A devoted family man, he also held a second full-time job in Loss Prevention at Sears for two decades. His accomplishments were possible by the support of many wonderful friends, and in return, he remained committed to helping others within the community and his church. His dedication to family and others extended throughout his life.

Mr. Suh had an incredible sense of humor and quick wit. His passions

included sports and outdoor activities. In addition to martial arts, at the YMCA, he played handball and racquetball against the best. On weekends, he loved fishing with the family. In retirement, he enjoyed spending endless hours meticulously manicuring the yard.

Mr. Suh is survived by his wife, Kyung, of 58 years of marriage and friend of 67, and their two children, Kwang (Amanda) Suh and Jean (Joseph) Hinte. He is also survived by his loving grandchildren, Keaton, Emery, and Wagner Suh (their mother, Pam), and Danielle Hinte.

Joung O. Suh leaves behind a legacy of unyielding strength, love for family, helping others, and sheer grit. His memory will forever inspire those who knew him. May he rest in peace in God's grace.

Visitation will be held on Friday, June 28, 11-1pm, followed by memorial service at Rutherford Funeral Home in Powell, Ohio. Burial will be at Union Cemetery, 2:30pm.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery

3349 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, OH 43202
(614) 267-5471

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell
450 West Olentangy Street
Powell, OH 43065
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<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

JUN 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ From : Columbus Joeun Church planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joung O. Suh.

From : Columbus Joeun Church - June 25, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joung O. Suh.



June 25, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joung O. Suh.



June 24, 2024 at 10:16 AM



“ I worked with him in the Diversion Program. He was a very fine man, who helped many people.

judith ahlbeck - June 22, 2024 at 09:42 AM

JW

I will always remember Suh from the downtown YMCA. Myself and others helped teach Suh how to play handball. It didn't take all that long before he was able to beat many of us at the game. I lost track of Suh after leaving the Y and see from the obit that he had an amazing career and did much to help other people.

Jim Warburton - June 23, 2024 at 08:56 AM

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*Mr Suh made a huge impact on me, and a very positive impression on me and my life. More than 40 years ago I landed in the diversion program. He not only helped me greatly he stood up to my terrible mean father. Quickly and tactfully, I have never forgotten that moment. He always had my back and I am truly sorry for his loss - with love -
Jeff Mitton*

Jeff Mitton - June 23, 2024 at 07:04 PM