

Transition and Seonghwa of our Beloved Sister Young-Hea Marchant

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We celebrate the life of our precious sister, Young-Hea Marchant who transitioned on New Year's Day 2014 and whose Seonghwa will be held at 3:00 pm this coming Sunday, January 5, 2014 at the Katy Funeral Home chapel. It is located at 23350 Kingsland Blvd., Katy, TX 77494.

Her family has written this brief biography of Young-Hea, with a photo taken of her in younger days.

Rev. John Jackson

District Pastor



Young-Hea \sqcup Marchant was born May 11, 1951 in Seong-ju, Korea and passed away January 1, 2014. She was the fifth of nine children. Though raised in a Buddhist family, Young-Hea independently decided that she would attend a Catholic church during her junior high school years. While her attendance was initially enticed by the promise of receiving candy from the priest, she quickly established a passion for serving God and others. At the age of 16 Young-Hea attended a lecture by a Unification Church pastor and shortly thereafter became a dedicated member of the Unification Church.

During her studies Young-Hea established herself as a top student. Her successes helped her to be selected for a competitive nursing program through which she was able to obtain a degree in nursing by the time she graduated high school. Following her graduation Young-Hea went to Germany where she began practicing as a nurse. Each month she sent portions of her paycheck to Korea in order to support a small, humble Unification church and her family. Through her support the church was able to acquire a piano and her mother purchased a plot of land upon which she developed a melon farm.

In 1979 Young-Hea moved to New York where was married in 1982. In 1984 she gave birth to her first child, Helen. A year later her first son, Gavin, was born and in 1990 she gave birth to her third child, Derek. In 1991 Young-Hea moved with her family to Houston, Texas, where she had her fourth and final child, Laura, in 1992. In Houston Young-Hea dedicated her time to raising her four children and being actively involved in works to support her church.

In the summer of 2007 Young-Hea was diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), a disease that slowly took her life. Following her diagnosis Young-Hea's biggest concern was that she might become a burden for her family. She never complained about her situation, was never resentful, and continued to pray for and support others as she could. Young-Hea was a wonderful and devoted wife and mother of four who will never be forgotten. She lived her life selflessly, wholeheartedly, and touched many people.

Young-Hea is survived by her husband, Todd, and her four children.