



## S'won Hong

May 18, 1954 - December 19, 2018

S'won Hong, a dear husband, father, grandfather, and local artist, passed away on December 19, 2018, at the age of 64 years. S'won was born in 1954 in Seoul, South Korea to Woongsun Hong and Keehwan Oh.

S'won met and fell in love with his wife Seung Hong while attending Yonsei University. Following graduation, he served several years in the South Korean Army. S'won and Seung moved to the United States in 1981 to attend graduate school at the University of Delaware. Their son, David, was born shortly after in 1982. S'won and Seung settled in the Newark area, and have been residents for 37 years.

S'won led a rich life in the Newark area for nearly four decades. He was a gifted artist who created countless freelance projects for local community organizations, churches, neighbors, and friends. He was a very active participant in his local church community, Abide/Eastpoint Church, and generously volunteered his time at Brewed Awakenings coffee shop, connecting with many youth and neighbors in the UD community. S'won was also an extremely loving and doting grandfather ("Habi") to his two-year-old granddaughter, Penelope ("Penny").

S'won will forever be loved and remembered by his wife Seung, son David, daughter-in-law Caitlin, granddaughter Penelope, brothers (Seungho Hong,

Seungjung Hong), a sister (Seungok Hong), in-laws (Okmook Son, Inyoul Lee Min, Heein Sohn, Kyomook Lee), his nieces & nephews (Moonhyun Kim, Hohyun Kim, Jeffery Kim, Jooхва Hong, Inhwa Hong, Grace John, Daniel Son, Deborah Min, Joseph Min, Ingyung Sohn, Incheol Sohn, Keesuk Lee, and Keechul Lee), and countless other family, friends, and neighbors.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 22, 2018, at 11am at the Eastpoint Church at 230 Executive Drive, Newark, DE 19702. Donations in S'won's memory can be made to the Abide Foundation. To make a donation, please visit <http://www.eastpoint.org/>.

## Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Service

DEC **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Eastpoint Community Church  
230 Executive Drive  
Suite 8  
Newark, DE 19702

# Tribute Wall

JK

“ Dear Seung and David -

*It is with sadness that I learned of S'won's passing. Yet it holds some joy knowing that he is in heaven in a far better and glorious place. Of course, I have many fond memories of all of you at New Life, and S'won acting as a faithful usher.*

*My most vivid memories are related to the times when my wife at the time, Amy and I were working with Seung and S'won teaching you to drive. On one occasion, we were driving in an empty store parking lot. S'won was driving tentatively and heading straight for a thick light pole. I kept saying, "Hit the brake. HIT THE BRAKE!!" Of course, here I am, a dumb American using a colloquialism that S'won had no way of understanding. Amy saved the day by yelling from the back seat, "STOP!!!"*

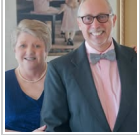
*Another time, S'won was driving down Churchman's Road to the Division of Motor Vehicle for both of you to take your driving tests. A bunch of young punks drove by us in the opposite direction and threw some firecrackers underneath our car which popped and crackled. It completely surprised all of us. S'won brought the car to a stop, looked over at me with wide eyes and asked, "Do they ALWAYS do this in America?"*

*So I send you my warmest condolences and prayers as we all remember S'won with fondness, appreciation and love. -*

*Jed Kovach (formerly Pastor Jed)*

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**Jed Kovach** - December 25, 2018 at 10:56 PM



“ Dear Seung and family - we are so sad to learn of your loss. When we were new in Newark, you and S'Won graciously extended hospitality to us. We warmly remember the meetings in your home. Your friendship and warm loving spirits were truly an example of the love of Christ. May God grant you peace and comfort during this difficult time, and may your spirit be lifted by the knowledge that although this life is temporary in Christ we have eternal life. With much love, Glen and Irene Zedney

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**Glen Zedney** - December 23, 2018 at 09:04 AM

CW

“ Dear Seung and David,

*I have so many wonderful memories of the time we shared at New Life... David and Matt growing up together, the music ministry. I treasure the love our families shared. My most precious memory is of Vacation Bible School, around 1991. S'Won shared the vision for the "military" theme in the most wonderful way. He created extraordinary flags for each class that revealed Jesus! I still have the artwork that touched so many children with God's love that summer. I appreciate to much how S'Won loved my children with the gentleness and humor of the Lord Himself. S'Won was a quiet man whose presence changed every environment he entered. How full of joy Father God must be to have him at home! My love and prayers are yours.*

*With great love,  
Cathy Whisler*

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**Cathy Whisler** - December 22, 2018 at 03:20 PM

VP

“ So sorry to hear this. Praying for Seung and David at this time. May the Holy Spirit wrap His arms of comfort around you both.

Love,  
Vicki Parlier

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**Vicki Parlier** - December 22, 2018 at 11:04 AM

JN

“ Dear Seung, I am thinking of you and your family today during this difficult time. Jen Nauen

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**Jen Nauen** - December 22, 2018 at 09:40 AM

TH

“ Dear Seung and David,  
Praying for you both and sending my love and hugs. I am asking God to enfold you in his faithful love and peace. At this time of great loss, may He comfort you through all your cherished memories of S'won.

The memory of the righteous is a blessing.  
Proverbs 10:7

Love,  
Terry Haskell-McDonald

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**Terry Haskell-McDonald** - December 22, 2018 at 09:03 AM

TC

“ *Dearest Seung and David,*

*Our hearts are heavy for you today, and we are praying that God will surround you with his peace during this time. We have so many sweet memories of S'won and your family, and are thankful to call you friends. We fondly remember the birthday dinners we would have with you and B.K., and know how much those times spent together meant to her. We treasure those fond memories of time spent with your family, and remember S'won's joyful presence in our lives. We love you and are praying for you.*

*Love,*

*Dan, Lisa, Alayna and Andrew Connell*

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**The Connells** - December 21, 2018 at 03:55 PM