

Memorial in honor of two Chinese comfort women:

Grandmas Wei Shaolan (韋紹蘭) (and Tang Genzhen (湯根珍)who died in May, 2019 both at age 99, in Glendale on Saturday, May 18th, at 2:00pm at Glendale Peace Monument, 201 E. Colorado St. Glendale, CA 91205 and on Saturday, May 25, 11:30am at “ Comfort Women” Column of Strength in St Mary Square , 651 California St. San Francisco, CA 94108

For Glendale event on May 18th, none of APHAFIC members could attend. We had a flower wreath delivered to the Glendale Peace Monument so did ALPHA -LA. Attendees included ALPHA-LA members, like Jeannie and Robert Liu , Mark Liu , Paul Hsu; Korean and others. Local high school students set up a booth to raise awareness of the "comfort women" issue, and to create postcards for the surviving Grandmas for young and old to learn about the issue and send kind messages to the Grandmas



Attendees at the memorial service with flower wreaths, each from ALPHA-LA and APHAFIC. Pictures were provided by Phyllis Kim.



Paul Hsu, Mark Liu, Janet Zhang, Jeanie Liu, Phyllis Kim and Robert Liu from ALPHA-LA

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The San Francisco event on May 25th, Saturday was hosted by Comfort women Justice Coalition (CWJC) and the Jin Duck & Kyung Sik Kim Foundation. 張籃真 (Jennifer Chang), the president of RNRC, the MC, and Judith Mirkinson, the President of CWJC started the program. Lilian Sing and Julie Tang, two retired judges, gave their thoughts about comfort women issues. Many leaders in Chinese and Korean communities attended the event.

The eulogy for Grandma Wei was given by Dr. Adeline Yeh Mahs and the eulogy for Granma Tang was given by Gilbert Chang, the first president of GA .With Gilbert were Christina Leung of GA, and Nancy Lo of APHAFIC from San Diego, who emphasized the importance of formal

apology from Japanese government toward all WWII victims. Other speakers included Tomomi Kinukawa, professor of women study program of San Francisco State University, who emphasized pursuing justice for the "CW" against Japan for crimes committed during WWII .

The Service ended with a procession of people laying flowers at the altar of Grandmas Wei and Tang.

After the Memorial Service, we joined the luncheon at Golden Saba hosted by Dr. Jonathan Kim, CEO of Jin Duck & Kyung Sik Kim Foundation. After the lunch, we stopped by WWII Pacific war memorial hall, 809 Sacramental Street, San Francisco.



Local community leaders and some speakers at the memorial event.



Jennifer Chang, Lilian Sing, Dr. Adeline Yeh Mah, Julie Tang and Anna Wong
Gilbert Chang gave eulogy for Grandma Tang



Nancy Lo gave a short talk and laid flowers at the altar of Grandmas Wei and Tang.

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