



CARMELITA REAL WONG '72

A Life of Grace and Beauty

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Class '72 is extremely saddened by the passing of one of our very own classmates, Carmelita Real-Wong. She was 55 years old. She succumbed from complications following a long illness on December 11, 2005, in Quezon City, Philippines. Her hometown of Real, Laguna, was her final resting place.

She practiced Nursing over the years in the Philippines, as a Staff Nurse at St. Luke's Hospital and as a Clinical Instructor at the College of Nursing of De Ocampo Memorial College; in

Orlando, Fl as a Staff Nurse at Seminole Memorial Hospital; in Taif, Saudi Arabia as a Staff Nurse at Al-Hada Military Hospital.¹

She gave of herself generously to the St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association in the Philippines for many years, working in various capacities. From 2003-2005, she was the Auditor of the SLNAA.

Our classmate, Lita, was known for having a sweet and angelic face, with an innocent aura about her. She always had a ready smile, and laid out the welcome mat for classmates who came home to the Philippines to visit. She blessed everyone with her gift of humor and extreme love for good food.

Her life was an epitome of grace under difficulty. She is greatly missed and will ever remain in our hearts.

She is survived by her husband, Marty, sons, Mark Anthony, Marcelino II, Michael Angelo, Matthew Niño, and only daughter Irene Mae who is also a St. Luke's graduate; grandchildren, Mark David and Mark Aaron Santa Maria, Marcelino, Carmela and John Dave Manoos, and Moyra Wong.¹

¹ Marty Wong, Personal Interview by Visitacion Salazar Plurad, May 2006