



Jose S. Tungol



Kiwaniis Cosmopolitan Detroit

Holiday-Inn Southfield Telegraph & 1 Mile Rd. Dinner 6:30

Felisa De Luna, President

Remy Del Rosario, Secretary

Meeting 6:30pm Thursdays

DISTINGUISH KIWANIAN HONOREE

JOSE SANTOS TUNGOL

MEMBER : KIWANIS CLUB OF COSMOPOLITAN DETROIT



Young Children
PRIORITY ONE

On April 7, 1912, Genoveva Santos -Tungol and Pablo N. Tungol became the proud parents of Jose S. Tungol in Hermosa , Bataan in the Republic of the Philippines.

Because Genoveva is a Lubaoenian, Jose grew up in the rice-growing town of Lubao in Pampanga. There he finished his Elementary and High School education preparatory to his eventual move to Manila. In Manila he pursued his higher education at Jose Rizal College obtaining the then coveted Bachelor of Commerce degree.

Maria V. Malit, a registered pharmacist, of the same town had been obviously been always in the mind of young Jose since they were classmates during the past years. Maria's eyes were for Jose. They made good their promises to each other January 16, 1942.

The love between these Lubaoenians were solidly cemented by their highly successful offsprings, 5 girls and 3 boys, who honored them with 18 grandchildren.

The businesses that Jose built to raise his family did not deter him from all the social obligations and community services that he rendered. A very solid upstanding, successful, young man , all these prepared him to his eventual move to the land of the free and home of the brave, the United States of America.

One of the first members and proudly holds the distinction of being the eldest member of the Kiwanis Club of Cosmopolitan Detroit (80 years), Jose served as a Board member and remains involved in numerous interclub activities and other activities of the Club. A devout member of the club , he never wants to miss meetings, although he only gets a ride from friends. A quiet man who exuded a quality of interest and kindness to whomever he is speaking, Jose gained a lot of friends not only in the Kiwanis Clubs, but also in several community clubs .

At 78 years, he served as President of the prestigious community and civic organization , The Circulo Pampangueno of Michigan, an organization with 200 members. Under his stewardship as President, the following were accomplished: Philippine Medical Missions (1989-90), shipment of medical supplies and equipment to different hospitals in the Philippines through World Medical Relief (1990), participation in the World Blindness Outreach in Mexico (1990), donation to the Lingap Orphanage, sponsorship of the International Hospice Institute (1989), not to mention the various contributions to local charities

It was a flurry. From being a Commander of the Knights of Rizal (Lubao) to being a member or officer of Samahang Pilipino Ng Michigan, Kiwanis Club of Cosmopolitan Detroit, and Circulo Pampangueno of Michigan, Jose was very effective in doing personal charity and humanitarian works. His work known far and wide in the Filipino community earned him the Circulo Pampangueno award for community service and participation.

This man, Jose Santos Tungol, is not done yet, but his name is already etched in peoples hearts, specially those whom he had touched.