



Douglas C. Wong

March 24, 1963 - January 27, 2025

Douglas C. Wong passed away at age 61 on January 27, 2025 at Robert Wood Johnson Hospital in New Brunswick, NJ after a lengthy illness. He was born on March 24, 1963 in New York.

Douglas is survived by his loving wife Patricia, his brother Chung, sister-in-law Shara and his sister Suk C. Wong. He is also survived by his step children Stanley Hutt and his wife Paige, Christopher Hutt and his wife Rebecca, his niece Emma, nephew Ryan and his family. Also six grandchildren and two great grandchildren. His brother-in-law and sister-in-law Joseph and Rosemary Conte. Many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his mother Yet Ping Seetoo Wong and his father Wah Ong Wong. He was also predeceased by his brother-in-law and sister-in-law James T. and Diane Maletto.

Douglas had worked for Ft. Monmouth and currently was employed at Picatinny Arsenal in Morris County for over 30 years as an Engineer.

Douglas loved to cook and everyone loved anything he made especially chili, wings and salmon. He loved going to see plays in NY with his wife, loved watching the NJ Devils, and a true Star Trek and Marvel movies fan.

There will be a private family only celebration of life at some point in the future.

The family wishes that in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Cemetery Details

All other services are private

Tribute Wall

PW

“ *Feeling really sad today that you are aren't here to talk to.*

 *Patti*

Patricia Wong - April 30 at 07:03 PM

PW

“ *Happy Birthday DCW. Still missing you being here. Still trying not to be angry about all that happened. Rest in peace.*

  *Patti*

Patricia Wong - March 24 at 08:56 AM

PW

“ *Today would have been our 21st wedding anniversary. Feeling sad that we cant celebrate this day. I'm still angry that all this happened. Happy Anniversary doesn't fit because I'm still sad about all that happened.*

 *Patti*

Patricia Wong - March 04 at 10:22 AM

PW

“ Two things to go through without you for the second time since you passed. Valentines Day & Chinese New Year. 😞

❤️ Patti



Patricia Wong - February 14 at 08:26 AM

PW

“ On this date, you passed away. It's been one year since January 27. I still cannot believe it. My only consolation is you are at peace. We all miss you.

❤️ Patti

Patricia Wong - January 27 at 07:49 AM

PW

“ First Christmas since you are gone. I still think I need to ask your opinion about something, but then I remember I can't.

Patti Wong - December 27, 2025 at 01:42 AM

PW

“ *Todays Quotation for the Day:*

"You cannot prevent the birds of sorrow from flying over your head, but you can prevent them from building nests in your hair." Chinese Proverb

If only that would be an easy thing to do.

Patricia Wong - November 07, 2025 at 10:47 AM

PW

“ *Today I searched on YouTube for the play A Christmas Carol at Madison Square Garden. We went every year it was produced and even brought some family. It was a magical yearly event. We both thought Roger Daltry brought a different perspective to the Scrooge character. I really miss those fun times.*

❤️ *Patti*

Patricia Wong - October 21, 2025 at 03:20 PM

PW

“ *I remember when you worried about a government shutdown. Well, here we go again.*

Patricia Wong - September 30, 2025 at 06:22 PM

PW

“ *1 file added to the album Doug*



Patricia Wong - September 12, 2025 at 03:44 PM

PW

AEOP Award on left. On the right, the plaque for my tree planting, prayer card, the urn for a small part of his ashes for me to have at home, and a poem I found that I really liked.

Patricia Wong - September 12, 2025 at 07:50 PM

PW

“ *Today I saw a poem *If Tomorrow Starts Without Me*. Made me cry cause it was so appropriate.*

Quotation for the day from today's daily affirmation:

Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one steal. - From a headstone in Ireland.

Patricia Wong - August 29, 2025 at 09:58 AM

PW

“ *Seven months. Still hard to believe. You said not to worry that you would get through it. You didn't make through this time. Life sucks. I hope you are at peace. Maybe seeing your mom and dad and our dog Ricky.*

I just watched Thunderbolts and thought how much you would have liked it. All the things we watched together, I now have to watch alone.

😭 *Patti*

Patricia Wong - August 27, 2025 at 01:33 PM

PW

*I left out the word it in *You didn't make it through this time*.*

Patricia Wong - August 27, 2025 at 01:39 PM

PW

“ Douglas was awarded posthumously first ever 'Pioneer in STEM' award.
<https://www.army.mil/article/288087>.
I know he would be very proud & happy to receive this award. I am happy to see him recognized. Sad that he is no longer here.
❤️ Patti

Patricia Wong - August 26, 2025 at 10:35 AM

PW

“ Yesterdays affirmation:
There are things that we don't want to happen but have to accept, things we don't want to know but have to learn, and people we can't live without but have to let go. ~ Author Unknown

Patricia Wong - August 23, 2025 at 10:12 AM

PW

“ A little sad today. My question is why did all this happen?
😞

Patricia Wong - July 20, 2025 at 07:06 PM

PW

“ The only positive thing about your passing away is that you won't be suffering anymore. Constant needles, tests, hospital stays, numerous pills, and the ups and downs. It's been a hard three years. I tried my best to keep you safe but it wasn't meant to be. I can't believe that it's almost six months since you passed away.

❤️ Patti

Patricia Wong - July 15, 2025 at 08:08 PM

DJ

I thought of you today during our AVRADA retirees luncheon. We first met in AVRADA. You brought me into the Land Warrior program and saved me from a job that I didn't like. I owe you thanks.

Douglas Johnson - December 17, 2025 at 08:51 PM

PW

“ *Feeling very sad today.*

Patricia Wong - June 21, 2025 at 07:57 PM

PW

“ *Four months. Still having a hard time with this.*

Patricia Wong - May 27, 2025 at 08:28 PM

CH

“ *So sad to just hear of Doug's passing from a colleague. I knew Doug from my time at Picatinny Arsenal. He was a staunch champion for STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) outreach. he LOVED working with the youth and getting them interested in STEM. He was also an avid recruiter for others to help in his mission to push STEM. He recruited me, and would not take no for an answer. I judged many STEM competitions with Doug and I remember he *always* had a smile on his face. He was a one of a kind. My thoughts are with his family and friends.*

Chris Haines - May 08, 2025 at 07:05 PM

ST

“ Reaching way back in time, I remember Douglas as a gentle person who enjoyed life. Especially when he fell in love with you.

Background: Douglas was employed as an avionics systems engineer by Aviation Research & Development Activity at the Communications-Electronics Command, Ft. Monmouth, NJ.

His specialty was to procure and integrate aviation electronic subsystems into the Army's OV-1D Mohawk fixed-wing aircraft. This program required him to provide direct contract management support to Gruman Aerospace Corporation in Stuart, FL, and the Special Electronics Mission Aircraft Project Manager Office (SEMA PMO) in St. Louis. MO.

One of his many assignments included the management, funding, and consolidation of all Mohawk avionics test documentation between Gruman Aerospace Corporation and Picatinny Arsenal.

He later assisted PEO IEW&S (Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors), Ft Monmouth, NJ with the integration of the “Quick Look 2” electronic surveillance system into the newly designated RV-1D Mohawk aircraft. This was the time and place where he met and fell in love with Patti.

Later in his career, he was tasked by the SEMA PMO to manage, identify, prepare, and implement all of the avionic subsystem requirements for the development of a new OV-1E multimillion-dollar prototype aircraft.

The careers of many people were affected when the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission ordered the closure of Fort Monmouth and the relocation of CECOM to Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG), Maryland.

Consequently, I lost touch with Douglas and Patti when they relocated to the Picatinny Arsenal area, and I eventually retired from

government service.

I was so saddened to hear of Douglas' passing at such an early time in his life. I considered Douglas to be a true, close friend and enjoyed working with him and you.

Patti, he truly was in love with you. You just had that magic touch with him.

*Be well,
Stanley Tylecki*

Stanley Tylecki - April 24, 2025 at 04:26 PM

PW

Stan, I cannot tell you how much you're words mean to me. Its been such a rough time for me with him being gone.He went through so much since the bone marrow transplant. I tried my best to take care of him.

*Thanks again,
Patti*

Patricia Wong - April 25, 2025 at 12:22 PM

PW

“ *It's almost three months since you passed. The only consolation for me is you have no more suffering. I hope you are at peace.*

❤️ *Patti*

Patricia Wong - April 24, 2025 at 02:54 PM

KT

“ *Happy birthday Doug! I miss my boss, my friend and my mentor. Hard to believe you are not here and my last text with you was on Jan 8th - a few days before left this world
You will always be remembered.*

kalyani tripathi - March 24, 2025 at 05:18 PM

TC

“ Happy birthday, Doug. We miss you.
Tom Coradeschi

Tom Coradeschi - March 24, 2025 at 09:36 AM

PW

“ Today is your birthday. We all miss you. The new baby in the family is beautiful. I wish you were here to see her.
Miss you.
Patti

Patricia Wong - March 24, 2025 at 08:53 AM

PW

“ Every day something comes up that i think I have to tell you. Then I realize I can't. This is such a hard time knowing you won't be coming home anymore. I miss talking to you about our favorite things.
Patti 😭

Patricia Wong - February 10, 2025 at 11:35 AM

TC

“ 5 files added to the album Working at Picatinny



Tom Coradeschi - February 07, 2025 at 04:29 PM

CS

“ *My heart goes out to Doug’s family during this difficult time. I will fondly remember Doug as an enthusiastic mentor, a skilled and generous cook, an occasional golf partner, and a friend. Doug will be greatly missed.*

-Chris Summa

Chris Summa - February 06, 2025 at 11:50 AM

TC

“ I had the honor of having Doug as my right hand man during my time at PM Maneuver Ammo Systems, from 2009 thru 2018.

On a professional level, Doug brought to the table a solid background in Systems Engineering, and an enthusiasm for problem solving which could not be beat. He didn't know how to say "I don't think we can do that", but rather "We can figure out a way to do that!" And then he'd do it.

His passion for growing the next generation of technologists never flagged and his engagement in STEM programs put that passion into action. From convincing a bunch of us to review research papers for the Monmouth Junior Science Symposium (high school students who do amazing work) to creating and running the GEMS program at Picatinny, Doug was all in!

Others have spoken about his love for food and cooking. Yes, Doug did win the Master Chef competition at Picatinny, but he was equally at home leading the charge to make Taylor Ham, egg and cheese sandwiches for the entire Bldg 354 population - over 100 people - every year at Christmastime!

My family and I send our condolences to the entire Wong family. Doug will be missed.

Tom Coradeschi



Tom Coradeschi - February 05, 2025 at 09:00 PM

PA

“ A gift Doug put together for Patti showcasing the many Devils games they attended, and Doug & Patti with the Stanley Cup.



Patti - January 31, 2025 at 05:27 PM

PA

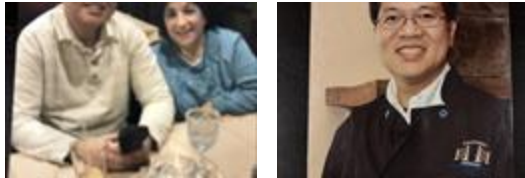
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Patti - January 31, 2025 at 05:02 PM

PA

“ 2 files added to the album Doug



Patti - January 31, 2025 at 04:41 PM

AB

“ I offer my deepest condolences to the Wong family. I've known Doug for many years and considered him a wonderful mentor. Some of my favorite memories at work involve laughing and dissecting the correct order of operations to get perfect fried rice or his Iron Chef accomplishments. He was generous with his time and truly cared about his employees.

Amy Blecker - January 30, 2025 at 12:07 PM

KA

“ I just want to express my deepest sympathies on the loss of Doug. He was such a fantastic colleague, and always fun to talk with. I loved hearing his thoughts about whatever program or topic we were talking about - he wasn't shy! He was always very insightful, knowledgeable, and passionate about his work. He will be missed by all of us.

Karen Amabile - January 30, 2025 at 04:54 AM

TF

“ Deepest sympathies to the Wong family. I knew Doug both at Fort Monmouth and Picatinny Arsenal. He was a pleasure to work with and a pleasure to talk to as someone who always cared for what he was working on and those he was working with. He was also passionate about STEM and educating our Nation's youth. My son is now an engineer on the Arsenal who fondly remembers Doug as his mentor during the Summer STEM program run by the R&D Center. Doug will be missed but not forgotten by all those who knew and interacted with him throughout the years.

The Manz Family - January 29, 2025 at 10:28 PM

LS

“ Doug was such a great person. I enjoyed working with him and valued his positivity and forward thinking. He was a very good mentor and always offered support and guidance. He will be missed.

Lia Sosa - January 29, 2025 at 09:15 PM

JE

“ We will deeply miss Doug, who was a great mentor, a dedicated professional, and a friend with listening years to many of MAS and SED teams. All the events you led, STEM for Education Outreach, Bring Your Child to Work, SETI Breakfast, and many others you contributed to showed how they dedicated you were with compassion and full of ideas! Your memory will always remain in our hearts.

Jean - January 29, 2025 at 12:34 PM

JW

“ Doug was always enthusiastic and upbeat at work and always had ideas on how things could be improved.
He will be greatly missed by all those he worked with.

Jeff Windham, DEVCOM-AC Rock Island

Jeff Windham - January 29, 2025 at 11:53 AM

LH

“ Doug was so nice and helpful. Whenever I had a question, he took the time to help and provided a clear understanding so I could continue with my work. Doug was also great when it came time for the annual Bring Your Child to Work day, he would give all the kids a big spread for lunch, he really was an exceptional cook. May he rest in peace and my condolences to all of his family.

Lisa Hurd - January 29, 2025 at 10:52 AM

PE

“ Doug made you think, appreciated that about him. I would ask him a configuration question and he would turn the question around and ask what I thought first then he would agree or correct me. He always knew what he was talking about!
My condolences to you the family and may God heal you through this grieving time.

Paul Eroh - January 29, 2025 at 10:22 AM

BK

“ Doug was a great guy. He was always willing to share a thought.. He made a positive contribution to all the programs he touched. His impact to the warfighter will be felt for years to come. I always knew I could depend on Doug. We talked often and there always some pearls of wisdom although getting Doug to stop sometimes was a real challenge. I also loved the food he cooked. He won the Arsenal cookoff beating chefs across the Arsenal. God bless. Bob Kowalski

Bob Kowalski - January 29, 2025 at 09:58 AM

BH

“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Douglas C. Wong



Bongarzone Funeral Home - January 28, 2025 at 06:55 PM

LS

Doug was such a great person. I enjoyed working with him and valued his positivity and forward thinking. He was a very good mentor and always offered support and guidance. He will be missed.

Lia Sosa - January 29, 2025 at 09:04 PM