

Obituaries

Donn V. Hart (1918–1983)

Donn Hart, a cultural anthropologist and scholar of the Philippines, died from an apparent heart attack on July 10, 1983. A native of Anaheim, California, Hart was educated at the University of California at Berkeley, Harvard University, and Syracuse University, where he earned a doctoral degree in 1954. He was a specialist on the Visayas, a prolific writer, and an active member of the profession.

Hart dated his interest in Southeast Asia to 1946, when he held a staff post with UNESCO and came into contact with numerous Filipinos in London and Paris. A deep interest in Filipino culture led him and his wife Harriett to live and work in the Philippines; they were based at Silliman University, Dumaguete. Later he taught at the University of the Philippines as an exchange professor.

Hart taught courses on Southeast Asia culture, folklore, field research methodology, and introductory anthropology at Northern Illinois University, where he also directed the Southeast Asian Studies Center from 1971 until 1981. Earlier he had taught for thirteen years at Syracuse University and worked as a research associate at Yale University.

He was a member and officer of numerous professional organizations; he served as chairman of the Committee on Research Materials for Southeast Asia (CORMOSEA), as a member of the editorial board of the scholarly journal, *Southeast Asia*, and as a fellow of the American Anthropological Society.

Donn Hart's many scholarly publications, some with Harriett Hart, include books, articles, and other works, the titles of which comprise nearly fourteen typewritten pages. Most of the publications deal with aspects of life in the Philippines. Hart established an American Filipiniana collection at Northern in 1975, asking Filipinos throughout the United States to help scholars gather all types of material related to Filipinos living in America.

His survivors include his widow and daughter, Susan Hart Garland of Brighton, Michigan. A memorial fund in his name has been established to support the Southeast Asian library collections at Northern. Contributions may be addressed to the Northern Illinois University Foundation, Donn V. Hart Fund, DeKalb, Illinois 60115.

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Karl G. Li (1937–1982)

Dr. Karl G. Li, one of the highest ranking Asian-Americans in the United States government, passed away suddenly in Taiwan in November 1982. In 1974, Karl Li joined the then United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare, where he was primarily responsible for Asian-Pacific Bilingual Education programs. In