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## C.A.C.A. National Mourns Passing of Jack Joe

San Francisco, March 5, 2020 — The Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) mourns the passing of Jack Joe, a longtime member and former president of Houston C.A.C.A., and a national executive. Mr. Joe passed away on February 26 at age 77. Born Han Jack Joe, Jr., on June 8, 1942, in Vicksburg, Mississippi, he grew up with his parents and three siblings in Rolling Fork. Mr. Joe enrolled in the University of Houston until he was drafted into the United States Army, where he earned a good conduct medal, expert marksman ship badge and National Defense Service medal. Mr. Joe rose to the rank of Specialist 5 (SPC). He made a career with Chase Bank, formerly Texas Commerce, where he oversaw the computer security system.

In addition to C.A.C.A., Mr. Joe held multiple positions on boards and as president in various organizations, including the Chinese Professional Club (CPC), Texas Asian Republican Club (TARC), Miss Chinatown and Association of Chinese Organizations of Houston.

Mr. Joe is survived by Irene Ong Joe, his wife of 52 years, and their daughter Erica. Memorial service for Mr. Joe will take place on Friday, March 6, 11:00am, at Chinese Baptist Church, 900 Brogden Road, Houston, TX 77024. Graveside burial will take place immediately afterwards at Memorial Oaks Funeral Home, 13001 Katy Freeway, Houston, TX 77079.

In lieu of flowers, Irene Joe requests donations are made to the C.A.C.A. Houston Community Involvement Fund (Miss Chinatown Houston Scholarship Pageant), a 501c(3), entity. Please make your check payable to "C.A.C.A. Houston CIF" and mail c/o Jewelry Yep, Treasurer, 4026 Lyndhurst Place, Sugar Land, TX 77479. For those wishing to send your sympathy cards, please mail to Irene Joe at 13038 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77079.

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