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Dianna Ye Xu

I'm deeply saddened to share with you that Ms. Dianna Ye Xu, a former CEAL member and librarian at University of Wisconsin-Madison passed away in Eugene, Oregon on June 18th, 2019, after a brave battle against cancer. She was 64 years old.

A native of Beijing, Ms. Xu graduated with a BA in Chinese literature from Beijing Teachers' College in 1982 and an MA in literature from Dartmouth College in 1993. Before coming to the U.S., she taught traditional and contemporary Chinese literature for nine years at a college in Beijing. Prior to University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ms. Xu worked as the Chinese Studies Librarian at the East Asia Library at University of Washington from 2003 to 2006. At University of Wisconsin-Madison, she worked first as Chinese Studies Librarian, then as East Asian Bibliographer, and most recently, as East Asian Studies Librarian. Dianna retired early this year. In recognition of her distinctive contributions to her profession and the university, on June 10th, 2019, the University of Wisconsin-Madison conferred emerita status to her. In March 2019, the faculty of Center for East Asian Studies at University of Wisconsin-Madison also presented a plaque of recognition to Dianna, on which it says: "In deep appreciation for your outstanding service."

Dianna was a passionate and dedicated librarian, an active member of CEAL and a wonderful colleague. She will be missed by many in the East Asian studies and library community. On behalf of many of her colleagues at CEAL, I convey our sincere condolences to Dianna's family and loved ones.

Submitted by Zhijia Shen