

Professor Ming Tsuang passed away peacefully at his home on March 18, 2026, at the age of 94. He most recently served as University Professor, Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry, Genomics Endowed Professor, and Director and founder of the Center for Behavioral Genomics at the University of California, San Diego. Before moving to California, he served as the Stanley Cobb Endowed Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, Director and founder of the Harvard Institute of Psychiatric Epidemiology and Genetics in the Harvard School of Public Health, and Superintendent at Massachusetts Mental Health Center, as well as in earlier roles at Washington University, the University of Iowa, and Brown University. Dr. Tsuang received his MD at the National Taiwan University, his PhD in psychiatric genetics at the University of London, and his ScD in psychiatric epidemiology at the University of London. During his distinguished career, he published over 800 manuscripts on schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, substance use disorders, and other related mental illnesses. His work, which was continuously funded for more than 45 years, helped to establish a foundation for psychiatric epidemiology and genetics and to emphasize the importance of performing clinical research that directly informs clinical practice. In recognition of his extraordinary scientific achievements, Dr. Tsuang received numerous international and national awards, including induction into the Institute of Medicine in the National Academy of Sciences, and Academia Sinica in Taiwan. Beyond his academic accomplishments, Dr. Tsuang was a consummate educator and an astute clinician who felt that his patients drove his innovative research pursuits. He also cherished his family and was deeply devoted to his faith and active in his church. He will be remembered not only for his scholarship but also for his generosity, humility, and unwavering commitment to mentoring students, trainees, and colleagues. His legacy lives on in the many patients, colleagues, friends, and family whose lives and careers he shaped.

In lieu of flowers, please consider an online donation (<https://bit.ly/4sUa0MG>) to the non-profit scientific organization International Society of Psychiatric Genetics, where Dr. Tsuang served as the fourth president. These donations will be used to support an ongoing "In Memoriam Symposium" at the annual meetings.