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Duy-Loan came to America with nothing but clothes on her back at the age of 12. Four years later, having taught herself English at night, Duy-Loan graduated as Valedictorian of her high school at 16. In 1982, Duy-Loan graduated from The University of Texas in Austin with BSEE Magna Cum Laude and started as a memory design engineer at the age of 19 with Texas Instruments. Duy-Loan received her MBA from The University of Houston in 1989. She is currently the World Wide Advanced Technology Ramp Manager, overseeing development projects using cutting edge technology at Texas Instruments.

In 2002, Duy-Loan became the first Asian and the first woman to get elected to the rank of Senior Fellow (equivalent to Senior VP on the management track), joining four men who held this prestigious title world wide at the time at Texas Instruments (TI). Today Duy-Loan continues to be the only woman to hold this title in TI's near 80 years of history. Duy-Loan holds 23 patents with seven pending applications. She has been featured in IEEE (the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) *SPECTRUM*, Asian Enterprise trade journals, a book titled "The Pride of Vietnamese", and numerous local and international newspapers. Duy-Loan serves on the Board of Directors for National Instruments, a publicly traded company on NASDAQ and headquartered in Austin. Duy-Loan is a registered Professional Engineer (PE) and is frequently invited to speak at Fortune 500 companies.

Duy-Loan has a very long list of accolades. Her favorites include Women In Technology International (WITI) Hall of Fame, National Technologist Of The Year, TimesPeople, Asian American Engineer of The Year, Who's Who in the World, Women of Vision: Leadership, Top 15 Women in Business, VANG's Golden Torch, and United States Congressional Recognition for Civic Leadership. One of TI's DSP chips under Duy-Loan's leadership was recognized in 2004 Guinness World Records.

Duy-Loan's service to the community is extensive. Among many of the things that she does in America and internationally, she enjoys most providing education assistance for children and supporting social economic developments projects in 12 different countries through two 501c3 foundations, Mona Foundation and Sunflower Mission.

Duy-Loan Le is married to her husband Tuan N. Dao for 26 years. She has two boys, Quy-Dan 16 and Quy-Don 12. She enjoys deep sea fishing, reading, movie, classical music, painting, and playing poker. Duy-Loan also holds a black belt in Tae-Kwon-Do and has won several medals and trophies in the State of Texas.