

# IN MEMORIAM



**Aoyagi-Bernhard, Jody, 38**, Albany, CA, Dec. 6; she was predeceased by her father, David; she is survived by her husband, Kyle; children, Olivia and Miles; mother, Dianne; and sister, Tiffany (Joe).

**Chavez, Yukiko Martha, 76**, Lakewood, CO, Feb. 9; she was predeceased by her daughter, Anita; she is survived by her husband, Jose; and children, Annette, Marc and Ron.



**Clerici, Miyoko, 85**, Vista, CA, Jan. 25; she was predeceased by her husband, Arthur; son, Thomas; and ggc Anthony; she is survived by her children, Marie (Dave) Simpson, Kathleen (James) McCann and Michael; sisters, Teruko Kawasaki, Kimiko Wada and Yaeko Tanaka; gc: 10; ggc: 4.

**Furuya, Mitsuye 'Mitzi,' 93**, Los Angeles, CA, Feb. 4; she is survived by her sisters, Kiyoko Fujita and Masumi Mary Masuda; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Hirashima, Hajime, 96**, Oxnard, CA, Jan. 22; she is survived by her children, Shigeko Janice and Takeshi Thomas (Linda) Hirashima; siblings, Tadashi Uyeda and Rose Nakadaira; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives; gc: 3.

**Higuchi, Brian, 54**, Rosemead, CA, Jan. 24; he is survived by his children, Nicole Higuchi and Daniel Higuchi; mother, Mitsuko Higuchi; siblings, Judy (Brady) Saito, Alan (Tammy) Higuchi, Patty (Gary Yamanaka) Higuchi, Joyce (Carl) Wynkoop; former wife, Veronica; he is also survived by several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Hirota, Shigeko 'Sally,' 88**, Los Angeles, Feb. 3; she is survived by her children, Jan Hirota, David and John (Marinel); 10 siblings; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends; gc: 4.

**Hoshiko, Michael Starrson Masanori, 95**, Longmont, CO, Dec. 26; he was predeceased by his wife, Rose; he is survived by his children, Cecily "Mitsie" (Dave) Sample, Sumi Hoshiko and Lance (Rebecca) Hoshiko; sisters, Eileen Hoshiko and Yuri Goto; gc: 5.

**Ichikawa, Christie, 88**, Torrance, CA, Nov. 20; she was predeceased by her husband, Robert S. Ichikawa; she is survived by her children, Robert D. (Sally), Ross A. (Lori) and Laura A. Ichikawa; siblings, Doris Sakamoto (Sidney) and Bill Ozawa (Elaine); gc: 3.

**Ido, Shizuka Ishikawa, 93**, Los Angeles, Jan. 2; she was predeceased by her husband, Joseph Fujio; she is survived by her daughter, Kristine (Vern) Chinen; gc: 1.



**Iseda, Howard Kho, 89**, Santa Monica, CA, Jan. 10; he is survived by his wife, Minako "Minnie" Iseda; son, Gerald; siblings, Elizabeth Chieko (Mits) Sato and Yasushi Iseda; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Ishii, Kimi, 93**, Los Angeles, Jan. 16; she was predeceased by her husband, Shig Ishii; she is survived by her children, Gary (Lisabeth) and Ron; brother-in-law, Haramitsu "Harney" Ishii; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Iwata, Sammy, 84**, Beaverton, OR, Feb. 9; she was predeceased by her husband, Richard; she is survived by her step-children, John (Cindy) Iwata, Irene Iwata and Janet Conrad; sister, Annye Lou Collum; sisters-in-law, Hisa Iwata, Yoko Iwata and Bernice Yasuda; and three nieces.



**Kato, Kenneth Naoshi, 82**, Fountain Valley, CA, Jan. 11; he is survived by his wife, Yumi; children, Gene (Kimberly) and Sandra

Kato; sister-in-law, June (Douglas) Kato; he is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives; gc: 2.



**Kawahara, George, 52**, San Jose, CA, Feb. 14; he is survived by his parents; sister, Susan (Tom); 1 niece and 1 nephew.

**Kitamura, Miyo 'Alice,' 93**, Grimes, CA, Feb. 1; during WWII, she and her family were incarcerated at the Amache War Relocation Authority Center in Colo. She was predeceased by her husband, William "Bill" Tsutae Kitamura; she is survived by her children, William David (Diann), Jon (Sally), Donald and Kendall; gc: 4; step-gc: 4 and step-ggc: 2.

**Kobayashi, Nori, 94**, Seattle, Feb. 7; she is survived by her sister, Emi Mayeda; 1 nephew and two grandnephews.

**Koshi, Patricia H., 77**, Los Angeles, Feb. 5; she is survived by her husband, Paul; and her three children; gc: 4.

**Kunishi, Hanayo, 97**, Honolulu, Jan. 13; she was predeceased by her husband, Arthur Yoshito; she is survived by her daughters, Marilyn, Sharon (Myron) Oie and Carole (Paul) Fujishige; she is also survived by several nieces and nephews; gc: 2.

**Kuriyama, Hideko, 84**, Gardena, CA, Jan. 22; during WWII, as a child, she and her family were incarcerated at the War Relocation Authority Center in Rohwer, Ark. She is survived by her children, Bob (Lori), Cliff (Anne), Terry (Lori) and Sandy; gc: 6; ggc: 3.

**Kusumoto, Jane, 84**, El Monte, CA, Feb. 2; she is survived by her husband, Hiro; children, Karen Kataoka, Warren (Judi), Alvin (Julie Lee), Kenneth and Janice Kusumoto; siblings, Yoshie Fujinaka, Mildred Kawano, George Hayase and Hazel Kamada (Kenneth); gc: 7; ggc: 1.

**Lam, Irene, 13**, San Francisco, Feb. 8; she was predeceased by her father, Robert Ichinose.

**Madsen, Kazuko, 81**, San Francisco, Jan. 30; she was predeceased by her husband, Carl; she is survived by her sons, Mark (Ineke), Richard and Steven; sister, Tayoko Minetoma; gc: 4; step-gc: 3; ggc: 1.

**Maeyama, Kaoru, 89**, San Francisco, Jan. 28; as a child, she and her family were incarcerated during WWII; she is survived by her hus-

band, Jun; children, Mark (Melissa) and Lynn Maeyama; gc: 5.

**Miyashiro, Hisako, 90**, Los Angeles, Jan. 8; she is survived by her children, Sally, Edward and Ernest Miyashiro; sister, Teruko Sakumoto; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Nagahori, Henry Masayoshi, 91**, Torrance, CA, Jan. 5; he is survived by his wife, Ami Emiko; children, Hoke, Lisa (Terry Ikemoto), Craig (Sylvia Gomez) and Kurt (Louise Lew) Nagahori; siblings, Fred and Harry Nagahori and Elsie Watanabe; gc: 5.

**Nakatsuka, Itsu, 96**, Westlake, OH, Feb. 4, she was predeceased by her husband, Keiji; children, Patricia and Janis; gc: 6; ggc: 1.

**Nakazawa, Yuri Lily, 97**, West Palm Beach, FL, Feb. 14; she is survived by her sons, Paul and John; gc: 4; ggc: 1.

**Nishita, Yuriko, 90**, Pleasanton, CA, Nov. 29; during WWII, she and her family were incarcerated at the Topaz WRA Center in Utah; she was predeceased by her husband, Satoru Nishita ("Sat"); she is survived by her daughters, Diana (Jeffrey), Jane (Louis), Ann (Jon), Nancy (Mark) and Patricia; gc: 6; ggc: 2.

**Oka, Nobuko, 97**, Spokane, WA, Dec. 31; during WWII, she was incarcerated at the Minidoka WRA Center; she was predeceased by her husband, Keith Oka; she is survived by her children, Gareth, Gwain (Darcy) and Lynn (Tom) Dwyer; brother, Masao Koba; sister-in-law, Chiyako Oka; she is also survived by several nieces and nephews; gc: 8.

**Okai, Miyoko 'Millie,' 98**, Los Angeles, CA; she was predeceased by her husband, Henry Okai; son, Terrance Okai; she is survived by her daughters, Carole (Harvey) Omata and Donna (Ken) Inouye; sister, Betty Masuda; gc: 2; ggc: 4.

**Okamoto, Kazue T., 93**, Torrance, CA, Jan. 13; she is survived by her children, Joyce (Harvey) Yoshino, Joanne (Wilfred) Nakata and Jim (Lorna Akemi); siblings, William (Asayo) Takigawa and Susan (Frank) Morimoto; sister-in-law, Kachan Maruyama; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives; gc: 6; ggc: 3.

**Okine, Sayeko, 89**, Gardena, CA,

Jan. 31; she was predeceased by her husband, Makoto; she is survived by her children, Bruce (Julie) and Cynthia (Mike) Runyan; brother, Hiroshi Yasuda; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives; gc: 2.

**Peterson, Mieke Marilyn, 77**, San Jose, CA, Jan. 12; as a child, she and her family were incarcerated during WWII at the War Relocation Authority facility at Heart Mountain, WY; she is survived by her sons, James (Tammy) and Robert; sisters, Janice, Charlene and Karen Yoritsune; gc: 2.

**Somen, Tamiji, 92**, Santa Ana, CA, Jan. 26; he is survived by his wife, Rosa Hiroko; children, Alan, Bryan and Catherine; in-laws Michiyo, Asako and Miguel Sameshima; and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Takao, M. George, 77**, Torrance, CA, Jan. 4; he is survived by his son, Brent; siblings, Nancy and Leroy; a niece; a nephew; gc: 2.

**Tomita, Wayne, 83**, San Jose, CA, Jan. 24; he is survived by his siblings, Larry (Michie), Hideko Nakasaki (George), Terrie (Fred) and Phyllis Tomita; he is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

**Tanada, Yoshinori 'Joe,' 98**, Oakland, CA, May 24, 2016; born in Puuloa, Oahu, he became professor emeritus of entomology, University of California, Berkeley; author of the 1993 textbook "Insect Pathology"; he was instrumental in the development of insect pathology in Japan.

**Watanabe, Kinichi Ken, 82**, Torrance, CA, Dec. 29; he is survived by his wife, Tamiko; children, Dianne (Rod) Shiozaki, Curtis (Debbie) and Larry (Anna); stepson, Paul Hiraoka; brothers, Kinjiro (Ruby) and Bill Yosh (Ruth) Watanabe; gc: 7.

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