

In MEMORIAM



survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends; gc: 2.



Minami, Henry M., 79, Woodland Hills, CA, June 18; he is survived by his wife, Janet Minami; sister, Terri (John Lawton) Minami; he is also survived by many relatives.

Kumagai, Sharon Asako, 70, Torrance, CA, Aug. 24; longtime board member and chapter president of Venice-Culver JACL chapter and Venice-West Los Angeles JACL chapters; she was predeceased by her father, Minoru Kumagai; she is survived by her mother, Mae Kumagai; husband, Bill Yamane; son, Dr. Jon H. (Gail) Yamane; brother, Norman (Jung Schroeder) Kumagai; she is also



Nakagawa, Mako, 84, Seattle, WA, April 4; former president of the Seattle JACL chapter and advocate for the elimination of euphemistic language ("The Power of Words" initiative) for Japanese American incarceration; during WWII, she was incarcerated at the Minidoka WRA Center in ID; she is survived by her children, Daren, Bradly Kenji and DeeAn (Ryan Cukierman); sisters, Kazzie (Mits) Katayama, Nobie Takahashi and Midori (Don) Akagi; she is also survived by other relatives and friends.

CA, and the Topaz WRA Center, UT; she was predeceased by her husband, Don Nakashima, a 442nd vet; and siblings, Jean Urashima and Elbert Omachi; she is survived by her children, Steven Nakashima (Sophie de Caen), Carol Nakashima, Donna Wohlleb (Michael) and James Nakashima (Anna Harrison); sisters, Esther Milnes, Gertrude Hope Kawashima, Elaine Omachi, Patricia Tate and Katherine Cookson; gc: 6.



Nishino, Hiroko, 78, Agoura Hills, CA, July 9; she is survived by her husband, Kenneth; daughters, Ashley and Shelli; son-in-law, Jeffrey Fayle; gc: 3.

Nakashima, Joan Hiroko (Omachi), 91, Stockton, CA, May 24; during WWII, her family and she were forcibly moved to the Arboga Assembly Center, followed by incarceration at the Tule Lake Segregation Center,



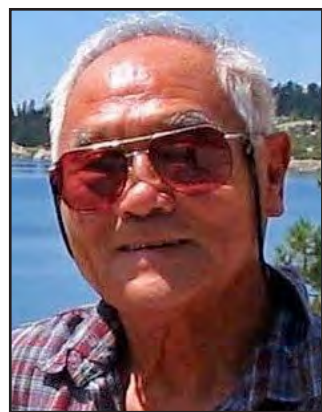
Tanaka, Tokio, 81, Sacramento, CA, Jan. 23; he was predeceased by his wife, Virginia "Ginger" Tanaka; he is survived by his children, Timothy, Christine and Catherine; siblings, Shirley, Emi, Tom, Bill and Ruby; gc: 2.



Taniguchi, George, 94, Palm Springs, CA, March 1; the first Japanese American jockey; he is survived by his son, Ryan; sisters, Mitzie Tanizawa, Chieko Whittemore and Sachi (Jun) Oyama; caregiver and niece, Donna Johnson; he is also survived by other nieces and nephews. ■

TRIBUTE

FRED HAYAO KAWASHIMA



1926-2021

Fred Kawashima passed away on Friday, Sept. 3, 2021. He had just turned 95 years old.

Fred was born to Hitoshi and Hatsune Kawashima in 1926 in Wallville, a small sawmill town in western Washington. When Fred was 5 years old, his father passed away and he and his older siblings, Frank and Aiko, were raised by their mother in Bay Center, Wash.

Shortly after he graduated high school at age 16, the government moved his family to the Tule Lake Relocation Center during WWII. He was allowed

to leave Tule Lake to begin studies at Washington State University a year later, then enlisted in the army at age 18. After the war ended, he returned to his studies at the University of Minnesota, where he completed his B.S. in electrical engineering.

In 1951, Fred married Yaeko Kosobayashi. They resided in Pasadena, Calif., until 1957 when he was hired by Lockheed Missiles and Space in Sunnyvale. They moved to Santa Clara where they raised their four children. They divorced in 1973.

Fred was a satellite systems engineer during his 31-year career at Lockheed, designing testing protocols for military satellites, including one of the first U.S. satellites to be launched into space. He was particularly proud of his work designing the final processes that allowed satellites to be tested and approved for launch.

Fred was an adventurer who loved sports and the great outdoors. He excelled in baseball and led an all-Nisei team to a city championship in the 1940s. He was an avid golfer and fisherman. He shared his passion for sports and nature with his children.

In the early 1980s, Fred met Sandra Diani, who managed the office of his dentist. In 1990, they were married and retired to Loma Rica where they transformed their 3-acre home into a park-like garden. Fred and Sandra were committed to the local community and served two terms on the Yuba County Grand Jury (1995-97). In retirement, in addition to fishing, golfing, and landscaping, Fred pursued many other interests including bonsai, ikebana, bridge and Lions Club. Fred and Sandra were great companions, spending much of their time discussing, debating, and laughing together until Sandra passed away in 2019.

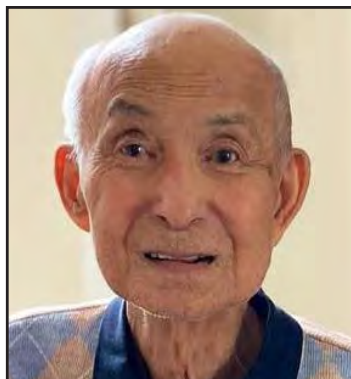
Fred will be dearly missed by his children, sons Eric (Carolyn Hill), Fred Jr. and Mitchell (Linda Capuano), and daughter Kyle; grandchildren Karryn and Mariko; nephews, nieces, and many dear friends, including Sherry Pleasant and Pat Noyes.

In an autobiographical account of his life written in 2012, Fred ended by saying: "My spirit will live on as long as memories of me live on." Fred touched the hearts of many and will indeed live on in our memories.

No services are planned at this time.

TRIBUTE

MARK ASADA



Mark Asada was born on Aug. 10, 1925, in Dinuba, Calif., and passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021, in Cherry Hill, N.J., at the age of 96. He had been an active member of the Seabrook Buddhist Temple and the local Japanese American community since arriving in Upper Deerfield Township in 1945.

Mark graduated from Dinuba High School in May 1942, completing his school requirements after 3 years, sensing war might break out with the Empire of Japan. Then after

the bombing of Pearl Harbor, he and his family, along with 120,000 other Japanese Americans, were incarcerated during World War II per Executive Order 9066 to Poston, Ariz. (Camp III) from August 1942 to August 1945. His future wife, Itsuko Taniguchi was also incarcerated in Poston, AZ (Camp II).

Upon release from the incarceration camp in Poston, Mark and his mother and father resettled to Seabrook, N.J. He married Itsuko Taniguchi on Valentine's Day in 1953 and worked at Seabrook Farms for 20 years. He later transferred to the U.S. Postal Service and worked as a postal clerk in Vineland, N.J. He retired as a civil service employee after 25 years of service.

Mark was a lifelong member of the Seabrook Buddhist Temple, and was a tireless worker to help out in various Japanese social and cultural activities at the temple. He was also a member of the Seabrook JACL Chapter. His major passion in life was to "spoil" his two grandchildren whenever he could. Although he might have been separated from them physically, he was always able to maintain communications with them via the email. Up until the time of his passing, he would check his email account at least three times a day, if not more, to see how they were doing.

Mark is survived by his son, Michael Asada and his wife Kim Asada, and grandchildren Matthew and Mikki. Memorial services were held at the Padgett Funeral Home, Upper Deerfield Twp. on Saturday Sept. 4, 2021 and a reception was held at Olivet United Methodist Church in Pittsgrove Twp. following the service.

The family requests that in lieu of any flowers, donations be made to the Seabrook Buddhist Temple Inc., 9 Northville Road, Bridgeton, NJ 08302. Written condolences can be sent to the family through the funeral home website at www.padgettfuneralhomes.com.

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