

# In MEMORIAM



**Cooper, Alex Walter, 34**, Gilbert, AZ, Dec. 23, 2021; he is survived by his parents, Kiyomi and Kelvin Cooper; siblings, Rosanne and Helena.

**Fujimoto, Jo Ann, 74**, Hilo, HI, Dec. 4, 2021; she was predeceased by her husband, Walter; she is survived by her children, Mindy Roberts (Cody), Brent Fujimoto (Brandi) and Cheryl Fujimoto; sister, Deborah Okubo; gc: 4.



**Fukuoka, Ronnie, 88**, Westminster, CA, Dec. 1, 2021; a Marine Corps veteran (Korean War), he is survived by his wife, Yaeko; son, Cary; brother, Tomio; he is also survived by many gc, ggc, nieces and nephews.

**Hatchimonji, Ruth Mikiko, 94**, Torrance, CA, Dec. 19, 2021; she was predeceased by her husband, Ike; she is survived by her children, Alan Hatchimonji (Souzan), James Hatchimonji (Rachel) and Susan Gates (James); sister, Muriel Sunada; gc: 6; ggc 2.



**Hayashi, Seigo, 78**, Monterey, Park, CA, Nov. 13, 2021; an Army veteran (Vietnam War), he was born at the Gila War Relocation Authority Center in AZ; he is survived by his ex-wife, Sachi Hayashi; daughter, Sandy Sutro (Alex); sisters, Amy Harman, Nancy Hayashi and Connie Hayashi-Smith; gc: 1

**Ishikata, George, 59**, San Francisco, CA, Dec. 30, 2021; retired veteran (Army); former Pacific Region commander, Civil Air Patrol; he is survived by his wife, Lena; brother, Chikao; and a nephew.

**Kasai, Wayne, 66**, Los Angeles, CA, Dec. 17, 2021; he is survived by his wife, Gretchen; son, Wylie Kasai; siblings, Mark (Amy), Candice (Mark Riley) and Jon; he is also survived by 2 nieces and other relatives.



**Kobayashi, Susan Lee, 76**, Bishop, CA, Sept. 6, 2021; she is survived by her husband, Stephen; she is also survived by other relatives.

**Kuwahara, Tom Nobe, 62**, Lomita, CA, Dec. 19, 2021; he is survived by his wife, Emily; children, Drake and Leanne; mother, Suzuko Kuwahara; brother, Roger Kuwahara (Lori); he is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Murao, Masami, 92**, El Cajon, CA, Dec. 27, 2021.



**Nakatomi, Shirley, 80**, Sacramento, CA, Dec. 23, 2021; she was predeceased by her husband, Allan; she is survived by her daughters, Kelly Gallagher, Laine Anderson (Kevin) and Allison Amos (Sean); siblings, Shig Kihara (Joy), Sally Kihara, JoAnn Westerman and Faye Miyagi (Nobu); she is also survived by many nieces and nephews; gc: 2.

**Nishimura, Victoria Ancheta, 78**, Van Nuys, CA, Dec. 12, 2021; she is survived by her husband, Toshio; step-children, Denise Nishimura Klante and Darin (Sheri) Nishimura; sister, Donna Suter; brothers-in-law, Hisao (Barbara) Nishimura and Tomio (Kung) Nishimura; step-gc: 3; step-ggc: 3.

**Oshima, Fujie Dorothy, 89**, Torrance, CA, Dec. 21, 2021; she is survived by her son, Glenn Oshima; brother, Yoshiki Oshima; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

**Otani, Stanley Kiyoshi, 63**, Monterey Park, CA, Nov. 16, 2021; he was predeceased by his parents, Shizuko and Frank Shigeichi Otani; he is survived by his sister, Janet (Tommy) Nakamura; he is also survived by a nephew and many cousins.

**Pouillon, Sara Marie Kamata, 50**, Owosso, MI, Dec. 5, 2021; she was predeceased by her parents, Lawrence Higa and Linda Moorhead; mother-in-law, Cheryl Pouillon; son, Donnie Pouillon; and nephew, Alex Leisure; she is survived by her husband, Steve; children, Michael, Andrew (Kylie), Joshua and Alyson; siblings, Jenny Higa, Lisa Breliniski and Paul Leisure; father-in-law, Donald Pouillon; step-father, Donald Moorhead; gc: 2.

**Shida, Koji, 97**, Monterey Park, CA, Dec. 5, 2021; veteran (WWII); he is survived by his wife, Kimiko; children, Joanne (Phil Tokeshi) Shida-Tokeshi and Kevin Shida; sister, Kay Tsukuno; gc: 2.



**Shimada, Kurato, 85**, San Jose, CA, Dec. 25, 2021; he is survived by his wife, Jean; children, Sydney (Chip) and Todd (Michelle); gc: 6.

**Shimamoto, Glenn, 65**, Los Angeles, CA, Dec. 14, 2021; he is survived by his wife, Liz Ann; children, Bryan Shimamoto, Amy (Brian) Lew and Grace Shimamoto; sisters, Lisa (Ralph Fernandez) Shimamoto and Diane (Wayne) Yokoyama; he is also survived by 2 nephews and other relatives; gc: 4.

**Shimotsu, Mits, 85**, Los Angeles, CA, Jan. 4, 2022; veteran (USMC); during WWII, his family and he were incarcerated at the Manzanar WRA Center; he is survived by his wife and children.

**Shindo, Richard Takeshi, 94**, Torrance, CA, Nov. 16, 2021; he was predeceased by his son, Mark; he is survived by his wife, Elene; daughter, Leigh Shindo; daughter-in-law, Jennifer McGlone; gc: 4.



**Yamada, Emiko**, Los Angeles, CA, Nov. 19, 2021; she was predeceased by her husband, Henry Takashi Yamada; she is survived by her children, Merilynn and Ron (Emiko) Yamada; sisters-in-law, Jean Tomiko Urushima and Akiko Kato; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and other relatives; gc: 2.

**Yamada, Walter Chuji, 84**, Waipahu, HI, Nov. 18, 2021; he is survived by his wife, Irene; children, Keith (Stella) Yamada and Suzanne (Bradford) Hull; siblings, James Yamada, Stephen Yamada and Marjorie Kubota; gc: 5.



**Yamaguchi, Ryoza, 69**, Paia, HI, Dec. 29, 2021; minister at the Pa'ia Rinza Zen Mission (30 years); he was predeceased by his wife, Adrienne; he is survived by his children, Jesse (Charlotte Lin), Mika and Naomi; siblings, Toyohiko, Norio, Yoshio, Katsuhiko, Kesuke, Rikuko Yoshida and Miho Umemiya.

**Shudo, Noriko, 93**, Los Angeles, CA Nov. 21, 2021; she was predeceased by her children, Etsuko, David and Daniel; brother, Mitsu-haru Uehara; sister-in-law, Yoshie; gc: 3.

**Tani, Yukio, 90**, Sanger, CA, Nov. 4, 2021; veteran (USAF); during WWII, his family and he were incarcerated at the Poston and Tule Lake WRA Centers in AZ and CA; he was predeceased by his siblings, Ben, George and Yoshiko Yamate; and nephew, John Kooda; he is survived by his wife, Midori; sons, Stanley 'Alan' Tani (Joy) and Edward L. Tani (Lourdes); sister, Keiko (Robert) Kooda; gc: 3.

**Tanigawa, Elfriede, 90**, Waipahu, HI, Dec. 9, 2021; she is survived by her sons, Kenneth (Liane) Tanigawa and John (Kelly Urata) Tanigawa; sister, Karin (John); gc: 7; ggc: 1.



**Tanaka, Shigeko Mae, 94**, Sacramento, CA, Dec. 21, 2021; during WWII, she was incarcerated at the Granada WRA Center (Camp Amache) in CO and graduated from the high school as class valedictorian; she was predeceased by her husband, Tadao; and children, Janice Lee and Paul; she is survived by her children, Dave (Gail), Ronald, Barbara and Thomas; son-in-law, Raymond Lee and daughter-in-law, Karen; brother, Shiori (Audrey) Sakamoto; gc: 4.

**Tomei-Saito, Katherine, 92**, Rosemead, CA, Oct. 24, 2021; she is survived by her son, Rueben Fuke Sr.; stepchildren, Karen Tonnis, Gail Tichman and Pat and Mike Saito; she is also survived by many gc, ggc, nieces and nephews.

**Yamada, Emiko**, Los Angeles, CA, Nov. 19, 2021; she was predeceased by her husband, Henry Takashi Yamada; she is survived by her children, Merilynn and Ron (Emiko) Yamada; sisters-in-law, Jean Tomiko Urushima and Akiko Kato; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and other relatives; gc: 2.

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