



Marie Moriye Taniguchi

March 31, 1928 - March 13, 2024

Marie Taniguchi passed away peacefully in her sleep on March 13, 2024, with family by her side. She was 95.

Marie was a Kibei Nisei, born in Los Angeles on March 31, 1928, but raised by relatives in Tokyo, Japan. She met her future husband Robert “Bob” Tetsuo Taniguchi (also a Kibei Nisei) on a transport ship returning to the USA after the end of WWII. At the dock in San Francisco, they were both surprised to learn that their parents had already met each other at the Granada (Amache) internment camp in Colorado.

Marie dedicated her life to her family and career. She and Bob worked at the family-owned Farmer Boy Market, Columbia Market, and Boys Market in West Fresno for many years before they started Sun Nursery, a landscape plant propagation nursery, which they ran for 20 years before retiring.

Marie was a longtime resident at Vintage Gardens Assisted Living Community. She and Bob moved there in 2014, and Marie faithfully cared for Bob until his passing in 2017.

Marie loved plants, especially azaleas and orchids, reading books in Japanese, composing Japanese poetry (called senryu) and playing Bingo and Othello.

She is survived by her sister Naomi in Tokyo; her children Ken, Jane, Brian, Keiko (& Nick), and David (& Pilar); and adult grandchildren Rayma (& Eric), Sarah, Anthony, and Kyle (& Jenn).

A private family service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers,

contributions can be made to the Central California Nikkei Foundation, the United Japanese Christian Church, or the Cat House on the Kings.

Marie's family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to Vintage Gardens and UJCC for their love, care, and support to both Marie and Bob throughout the years.