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**T**aeko Snellgrove was born on May 2, 1928, in Osaka Japan, and passed away peacefully on October 17, 2023, in Lahaina, Hawaii.

Her grandfather, Shintaro Koga, was deeply religious and named her “Taeko”, which means “blessing “. This name was so fitting, she was the greatest blessing to her family, friends, and many others. She lived a life of love and touched many lives by her acts of selfless kindness. She was beautiful from the inside out, and always quick to lend those in need a helping hand. Her family in Japan taught her the greatest of these is LOVE, and to help those behind you, not those in front of you. She was always positive and encouraging- never a negative moment. She was fun loving, joyful, generous, and showed her love in the kitchen (she was an amazing cook). She was also a very talented artist, as illustrated by her art and craft projects. She was not only sweet and kind , but also her children’s greatest cheerleader.

She was a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and wife. She was predeceased by her husband of over 50 years, Marvin Snellgrove, and oldest son Reggie Snellgrove. She is survived by her sons Leland Snellgrove (Lori) of Olympia, Wa, and Michael Snellgrove (Semira) of Dallas, Tx; daughters Anna Galatolo (Mark) of Lahaina, HI, and Barbara Lawson (Dan) of Tacoma, WA, and many beloved grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Her memorial service will be held in Washington State, at a future date.



# Tribute Wall

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**Lisa Nitschke** posted:

Your mama was the sweetest lady I have ever met. I remember doing her hair and us girls laughing and caring on, her humor was so silent and adorable. A little spit fire with a sole of a wise and kind woman. My memories of her will cherished.. May the heavens be blessed with her presence.

October 31 at 2:58 AM



**Cole Engle** December 14 at 4:43 AM

I loved Taeko. There was always a smile and a hug from her whenever we saw each other. I was so fortunate to have her in my life. She was always a brite spot in my life and full of Love. I will miss her. Thank you Anna for sharing her with me.o



**Barb Lawson** November 30 at 2:13 AM

Thanks Lisa! She loved a great hair cut too.



**Nakamura Mortuary** shared an album called **Memories Album**.



October 30 at 7:14 AM



# Media

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Nakamura Mortuary shared 4 photos to the **Memories Album** album.

October 30 at 7:14 AM





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# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Taeko by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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