



Tsurue Patterson

January 15, 1925 - October 20, 2015

Tsurue (Kurosawa) Patterson of Westampton, passed away peacefully Tuesday, October 20, 2015, surrounded by her loving family after a brief time of illness. She was 90.

Born in Gunmaken, Japan, she was one of nine siblings. She was the beloved wife of the late SFC James M. Patterson; dear mother of Hiromi C. Hernandez (David) and Elaine K. Bolden (Luke Cowans); proud grandmother of William C. Stone, Elizabeth M. Parchment (Alvis) and Howard Mitchell Bolden; great-grandmother of Maxwell E. Parchment who lovingly called her “Oba-chan” and Marina Tsurue Williams. Preceded in death by siblings Mizuyo, Tuna, Fukuo, Minoichi and Fujie, she is survived by her sister Hiromi and brother Keiichi, as well as her many nieces and nephews, all in Tokyo, Japan. She will be sorely missed by not only her family, but by her many “Karaoke” friends.

Tsurue, whose name means “live for one thousand years,” lived an adventurous life as an Army wife. After World War II, she met James during the American Occupation of the armed forces. She was employed in the American Post Exchange, knowing very little English. James and Tsurue married, came to the United States and started a family. Tsurue was able to return to Japan with her husband James and two young children when James received military orders to be stationed in Japan. The family lived in Japan on a military base for almost five years and reunited with Tsurue’s entire family. Tsurue, also fondly known as “Toshiko” to her American friends, was a skilled bowler and singer. She worked at the Circle F Industries in Trenton and retired

from there after 20 years. She actively participated in the local Japanese Karaoke sessions. She loved to crochet also. Most of all, she enjoyed caring for her husband, children and grandchildren as well as socializing with her many friends in the local Japanese community.

A homegoing service will be held privately for family and close family friends on Wednesday, October 28, 2015. Interment will be held privately at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle cemetery.

Cemetery Details

BGWCD Veteran's Memorial Cemetery

350 Provinceline Rd.,
Wrightstown, NJ

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **28**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Perinchief Chapels
438 High Street
Mt. Holly, NJ 08060
(609) 267-0399
info@perinchief.com
<http://www.perinchief.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Tsurue Patterson*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Tsurue Patterson*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Praying for all of you during this time. Tsurue seems like she was such a beautiful person and loved by so many. I'm sure she impacted many lives and her memory will continue to live on through those she touched. Rest in peace Tsurue.*



Amond and Kelli Cowans - October 27, 2015 at 11:21 AM



“ *Dear Patterson Family:*

I wish to convey my sincerest condolences to your entire family. Losing a loved one in death is one of the hardest things that anyone will ever have to deal with. There is a great hope held out to us for the future because God promises to bring those we lost back to life by means of a resurrection to a paradise earth, where sickness and death will be no more. I hope this brief message will bring you a measure of comfort in this difficult time.



your neighbor - October 27, 2015 at 07:46 AM

MC

“ *Mr. & Mrs. Luther Shep Cowans lit a candle in memory of Tsurue Patterson*



Mr. & Mrs. Luther Shep Cowans - October 26, 2015 at 10:46 PM

LL

“ *Lorraine Love lit a candle in memory of Tsurue Patterson*



lorraine love - October 25, 2015 at 03:50 PM