



Grace U. Guesnier

April 8, 1926 - August 10, 2009

Mrs. Grace Utako Guesnier, 83, Bolivar, died Monday, August 10, 2009 in St. John's Regional Hospital, Springfield. The daughter of Kamezo and Goze (Higa) Toyama, she was born April 8, 1926 at Honolulu, Hawaii. She was employed for several years in the policy underwriting department of Pan American Insurance Co. in Los Angeles and she was a homemaker. She had lived in Bolivar the past 15 years, was a former resident of Forsyth. She attended church at Grace Community Church in Bolivar, The Tabernacle of Praise in Branson and Sunday School at Bolivar First Baptist Church. In 1948 Grace accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior while attending the First Baptist Church in Malden, MO. Her passion for God's Word and her selfless living influenced the lives of all those around her. Grandma Grace took great pride in many accomplishments of her grandchildren. The legacy of the life she lived will continue impacting future generations until Jesus returns. She is survived by her husband, Erwin; 4 daughters, Susie Garrison and husband, Marty, Bolivar, H. Gloria Harrison, Independence, Terry Crawford, Enid, OK and Vicki Clark and husband, Dwight, Cedar Hill; 18 grandchildren, Christina and Archie Kangethe, Nathan and Jessica Harrison, Catherine and Mark Lopez, Suemi and Ross Shannon, Tani and Shawn Mahaffey, Jamie and Tracy Foster, Seamus and Erin Crawford, Erin and Kevin Chappel, Rebecca Crawford, Billy and Michelle Clark, Brian Clark, Teri and Joel Houser, Carie Garrison, Corey Garrison, Callie and Tim Miller, Casey Garrison, Coday Garrison and Conley Garrison; 22 great-grandchildren, Campbell, Alexander,

Taylor and Allison Kangethe, Payton and Corwin Harrison, Logan, Keiley and Brennen Mahaffey, Toran and Collin Foster, Abigail, Aiden, Savannah and Grace Crawford, Taryn Garrison, Ascher Jump, Tinsley Miller, Jordan and Zachary Clark, Josi and Tori Houser; and 2 sisters, Suemi Toyama, Woodland, CA and Jeanette Tamashiro, Long Beach, CA. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM Friday, August 14, 2009 in Murray Funeral Home, Bolivar with Rev. Gene Ridings and Rev. Dan Rocha officiating. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Memorial donations may be made to the Gideons Memorial Bible Program.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Grace U. Guesnier*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Grace U. Guesnier*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Dear Erwin and Family, It was just by chance that I saw this notice on Grace. I remember Grace back at a reunion in Kansas we were all having and knew then that she was a very charming and warm person. Please accept my condolences for Grace whom I know will be missed, but never forgotten!*

Gerard Guesnier - September 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *My condolences to the family. I will always have fond memories of her. She will be missed.*

Brenda James-Branneky - August 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of your Mothers death. I lost my Mother earlier this year and its tough. Please know my thoughts & prayers are with you all.*

Nancy Kitrel Bentley - August 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Dear Gloria and Susie; I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. Thankfully it won't be long before you will be reunited. Susie I still remember the night you were saved. What a time of rejoicing that was. Love in Christ; Bill Moody

Bill Moody - August 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Sorry to hear about your mothers passing. I know she is with the Lord. You all are in our prayers.

Dewey Chalk - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Dear Girls/families, I am sorry for your loss. Nevertheless, I rejoice with you in knowing that Grace is smiling and enjoying being with her Saviour Yeshua! Grace was such a patient teacher and encourager for so many of us growing up at Malden. I loved her dearly! I am glad for having seen her in recent years. Gloria, Terry, Vickie, and Susie, you were such beautiful, smiling little girls who grew up to be beautiful women and mothers--taught by one of God's best!! Love to all! Marilyn McBurney

Marilyn (Michael) McBurney - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ May God be with the family of Grace. My deepest sympathy!! My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Stephanie Doty, RN - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Dear Casey, I am so sad for you to lose your grandma that you loved so much. She was so very proud of you and your accomplishments as I know she was of her other grandchildren. However, I rejoice in knowing she is in the arms of Jesus now. I will keep you and your family in my prayers as you adjust to life without Grandma Grace. May God give you comfort and peace that only He can give. Bonnie (Lady Bear Praying Grandma)

Bonnie Brockman - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Please accept my condolences on the passing of your mother. A true warrior for Christ and a dedicated and passionate Christian. I still have fond memories of being in church being taught by your mother. God blessed her and now she is in heaven telling Christ about her family I am sure. God be with you all.

Bob Phillips - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ I hope you are comforted with knowing your mother was a wonderful inspiration to many! Grace was a smart, faithful, and diligent woman. With our love and gratitude,

Bette Davis Moen & Elizabeth - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ Our heartfelt sympathy is with your family at this time. Know that your friends are with you in thought and prayer

Ruth Ann Arends - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WA

“ Sincere sympathies!!!

Warren Arends - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ With deepest sympathy, we will keep you in our prayers . I have fond memories of Grace. She was such a loving and devoted mother. She was always so kind to everyone and such a wonderful role model . Grace blessed so many lives by her presence and she will live on in the hearts of all who were privileged to know her.

Mike and Jane Duplantis - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time and in the days and months to follow. Tommy & Diane (Eaker) Morgan

Diane (Eaker) Morgan - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ My deepest sympathies go out to Grace's family. I strongly remember her from the First Baptist Church in Malden, she always had her big Bible and beautiful smile and was very loving and kind to me as a child. The older I get the more I remember that the end of the day, it's all about how we love those around us. Grace embodied the love of Christ to all those she came in contact with. I didn't know much about her, but I will always remember her love. She loved my mother, who has already gone on to be with God, so hopefully they will meet again. Again, I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Grace was such a true example of a living Christ. Love, Mary Lanier

Mary Lanier - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ I have nothing but fond memories of growing up with aunt Grace and our extended families. She lived by the highest standards and passed them on to all who knew her. We are grateful for her time here with us.

Steve Bowling - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Vicki & Family, I was so sorry to hear of the death of your Mom, she was such an inspiration to me and she held so much wisdom in that little body. I know you will miss her but think how happy she was when she looked upon the face of our Lord. I can almost hear her shouts of joy. I know Gods love will get you through the coming days, and we'll be praying for his comfort. Love in Christ Donna & Al

Donna & Al Dulworth - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ God be with you and bless you during this sad time.

Elaine Kalkbrenner McCracken - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ My thoughts and prayers for you and your family are with you,Hazel.
Love ya - Tex

Tex Wagner - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I am so sorry to hear about the death of your mother. I have some wonderful memories to hold onto. I can only imagine the expression on her face as she stands in the presence of our Lord. She was such a strong Christian and I know that she is excited to see her family and friends that were there to greet her. She will be greatly missed. May God give each family the strength to get through the days ahead. Love you in Christ, Diana Clark

Diana Clark - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23 Thinking of you.

Rick and Debby Washer - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Dear All, It has been a long time since we've seen Grace (back in Malden, MO), but we were so sorry to hear about her passing. We both know how difficult it is to lose your mom, no matter how long you've had her with you. We are praying for each of you that there will be grace to sustain you, strength to hold you, and the unbelievable peace that only God can give you.

Mick and Georgia Green White - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM