

Haruko Terasawa Moriyasu

May 18, 1932 ~ April 21, 2022

A fine and wonderful Professor I knew in Carlson Hall (Which no longer exists) when I worked there in the 1980's as a custodian....May she rest in peace...

- Everett G Amador

On behalf of the Mixco family, I'd like to express our heartfelt condolences on the recent passing of Ms. Huruko Moriyasu. My late sister, Gladys I. Mixco, who worked as the secretary for the Ethnic Studies Program for many years, considered Haruko one of her best friends on and off campus. Both the University of Utah and all the diverse communities of Salt Lake City, have been very fortunate to have had Haruko with all her many talents among us. She will be sorely missed.

- Mauricio J. Mixco

I am so sorry to hear of Haruko’s passing. She accomplished so much during her life time, and has been such an inspiration to all. As a young child, I remember her and Kazuko at their mother and father’s Japanese newspaper establishment that provided so much to the Japanese community. My sincere condolences to her son Mikio and extended family.

- Carol Nakamura Iwasaki

Dear Mikio and family, I’m very sorry and sad to hear of Haruko's passing. She was the foundation of your family, the Utah Nippo, the JA and AAPI community, the Salt Lake Buddhist Temple, the U, and many more communities. It was always wonderful to bump in to you and your mom at Sage Farms, the Matsumoto Sister City Picnic every summer, and many other JA events throughout the years. Her obituary is beautifully written and shows much love. Take care.

- Cassandra Van Buren

Condolences to the family— and thank you my friend Haruko for a long career of service at the University of Utah, touching the minds of generations of students and befriending and supporting a great many colleagues. Your contributions to the ethnic studies project will provide a strong foundation for many generations to come.

- Bob Flores

I will miss Haruko and her practical, supportive spirit. She was a wonderful mentor and friend, Her dedication to ethnic studies and communities of color inspired me across many years. I also greatly appreciated her support of my doctoral studies. Haruko was like a grandmother to my children, showering them with gifts and warmth at holidays and in the neighborhood. She gave so much to so many. I have such gratitude and sadness on her passing.

- Jennifer Yim and family

I just learned about Haruko's passing through ULink and am writing to express my most sincere condolences. I worked as a teaching assistant in the Ethnic Studies program while a graduate student at the U of U. I witnessed Haruko's caring classroom teaching and participated in many activities she organized to promote awareness of Asian American cultures, history, and experiences. I feel lucky to have met and worked with Haruko. Haruko's kindness will forever be remembered. My deepest sympathy to Mikio.

- Shehong Chen