

Nobuo Aoki

September 23, 1929 ~ December 17, 2025

Nobuo Aoki passed away peacefully at his home in Salt Lake City, Utah on December 17, 2025, at the age of 96. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend to many. Born on September 23, 1929, Nobuo will be remembered for his kindness, generosity, and selfless nature. As a devoted family man, he imparted to those who knew him the importance of compassion by caring for his wife, mother, brother and sister-in-law as they aged and became ill.

The son of Hideko (Kubota) and Sasuke Aoki, Nobuo was the youngest of six children. He was born in Seattle where he spent the first 12 years of his life. After the start of WWII, following President Roosevelt's Executive Order 9066, Nobuo and his family were removed from their home and sent to live in horse stalls at the Puyallup Fairgrounds in Washington and were eventually interned at the Minidoka War Relocation Center in Hunt, Idaho. They remained there for 3 ½ years. After the war, Nobuo relocated to Salt Lake City with his family where he graduated from East High School. During the Korean War, he served in the United States Army joining the Military Intelligence Service (MIS). After completing his service, Nobuo returned to Salt Lake City and attended the University of Utah where he earned his bachelor’s degree in business. While in college, he met and married Eva Teruko Matsuda. Together, they enjoyed taking their family on summer road trips to Washington and California to spend time with faraway siblings, nieces and nephews. They also embarked on a variety of adventures to Japan, Europe, Alaska and Hawaii. Closer to home, they were active members within the Salt Lake Buddhist Temple and long-time Utah Jazz season ticket holders. Nobuo and Eva enjoyed 47 years together, raising their four children until her passing in 2003. Nobuo dedicated his entire career to his role as an accountant at Sperry/Unisys, where he was recognized as a wonderful colleague and loyal contributor to the company.

Nobuo was active in the Japanese community and served as the treasurer of the Salt Lake Buddhist Temple for over 20 years. He enjoyed bowling in the Nisei bowling league, golfing and having lunch with friends during his retirement. He remained an avid Utah Jazz fan and University of Utah football enthusiast.

Nobuo is survived by his children, Alan Aoki, Bruce Aoki, Christine Munson (Ed Munson) and Kenneth Aoki (Christopher Ossana); his grandchildren, Emma Kikue Munson, Henry Munson, and Loc Ossana-Aoki. He was preceded in death by his wife, Eva, sister, Toshiko Mayeda and brothers, Fred, Takao, Tadao and Yoshio Aoki.

The family expresses its appreciation and gratitude to Nobuo’s caregivers who worked together as a team and ensured he received the best care: Trina Anderson, Angie Zamora, Jose Ramos, Patricia Salinas and Iolanda Coombs.

A private memorial service will be held for family members. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the National Kidney Foundation of Utah.