



Chiyo Kirby

February 1, 2017 - October 12, 2017

Chiyo Kirby, age 93, passed away October 12, 2017 at 5:00 A.M. at Odd Fellow-Rebekah Home in Mattoon, IL.

The funeral service will begin at 11:00 A.M., Thursday, October 19, 2017 at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home located at 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938, with Pastor Richard Eident officiating. Burial will follow the service at Rest Haven Memorial Gardens in Mattoon, IL. Visitation will be held at 10:00 A.M. until the time of service at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home.

Chiyo was born February 1, 1924 in Osaka, Japan, the daughter of Silia and Hanah (Fukushima) Zuro. She married Walter I. Kirby in 1953 in Osaka, Japan. Chiyo is survived by one niece, Nobuko Hattori of Osaka, Japan; one son-in-law, Roger Kirby and wife Phyllis of Hopkinsville, KY; four great nephews, one great niece, many great-great grandnieces and nephews; and her American family, Kate Guyette, Phyllis Guyette, Shelby Guyette, and Dillon Gaines, all of Mattoon, IL. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and two sisters, Kinu Uama and Fumi Fukushima, of Osaka, Japan. Mrs. Kirby was self-employed as a tailor and seamstress. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and Women of the Moose, where she made many lasting friendships. Her artistic talent was displayed by her beautiful paintings on decorative plates. Chiyo enjoyed traveling, exploring new cuisines, and meeting new acquaintances. She always offered a helping hand and will be remembered as one of the nicest people you could ever meet.

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eralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with her family.

Cemetery Details

Rest Haven Memorial Gardens

Mattoon, IL 61938

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Chiyo Kirby*

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