For Gramps written by Heidi Nielson

95 years full of stories— His life could fill volumes:

the quiet, big-hearted love that wasn't always expressed in words, but always felt (in the way he was always the first to cradle a new grand baby, in his presence at events big and small, in the freezer stocked with Creamies and fridge full of Fresca);

the competitive streak that would never allow a grandchild to win so much as a foot race against him;

the years tenderly caring for Grandma Mary, never wanting anyone else to push her wheelchair;

the long (but speedy) drives in their Camry to see grandchildren and great grandchildren, the cup holder full of sunflower seed shells and glovebox full of wintergreen gum;

the years of service and dedication to the church he loved that took him across the country and continents;

the many rounds of golf and racquetball games played (and the two holes in one that must never be forgotten);

the sheer force of will that propelled him through so many challenges and illnesses, with the levity to ask "you got a car?" to see if visitors to his different care facilities could take him home (or at least out for sushi).

His life could fill volumes, but like the man it honors, the best tribute should be short and sweet—

Gramps, if we inherit your grit and gentle heart, we will be lucky.









Shigeki "Ski" Moriyama March 5, 1929 – July 15, 2024

Pallbearers

Shane Petersen Trevor Petersen
Casey Moriyama Kyle Moriyama
Stephen Nielson Carsen Petersen

Honorary Pallbearers

Skyler Johnson, Parker Johnson, James Petersen
Ryker Petersen-Tenney, Gambel Petersen, Graden Petersen
Cal Moriyama, Camden Castleberry, Kade Castleberry,
Jace Moriyama, Max Moriyama, David Roth,
Colin Ruskin, Hudson Wagner, Baylor Wagner,
Oakes Wagner, Jex Beeson

Compassionate Services

Elwood 4th Ward Relief Society

Funeral Service

Tuesday, July 30, 2024 - 11 A.M. Elwood LDS Chapel

Elwood LDS Chapel	
Presiding	Elder Takashi Wada
Conducting	Bishop Colby Goodliffe
Family Prayer	Stephen Neilson, Son-in-law
Prelude	Mandi Couch, Friend
Opening Song	Great Grandchildren
"Families Can Be Together"	
Accompanied By: Carrie Castleberry, Granddaughter	
Opening PrayerCaroly	yn Moriyama, Daughter-in-law
Reading of Obituary	Jan Petersen, Daughter
Speaker	Joni Nielson, Daughter
Song	Shanna Smith, Friend
"O, That I Were an Angel"	
Accompanied By: Lori Price	
Speakers	Missionaries
Speaker	Joel Moriyama, Son
Closing Remarks	Elder Takashi Wada
Closing Song	Grandchildren
"Homeward Bound"	
Accompanied By: Lindsay Moriyama, Granddaughter-in-law	
Closing Prayer	Jimmy Petersen Son-in-law
Postlude	Ward Choir
"Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise"	
Director, Bret Massengale	
Accompanied By: Mandi Couch, Friend	

Interment – Elwood Cemetery

Dedicatory Prayer......Joel Moriyama, Son