



FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

Kazuko "Kay" Shimoji Durham

FEBRUARY 21, 1949 - NOVEMBER 11, 2023



Funeral Service

11 a.m., Saturday, December 2, 2023

Holly Springs Original Free Will Baptist Church, Newport, NC

Officiant: Rev. Mitchell Parker Pianist: Gloria Parker

Processional, "The Lighthouse"

Prayer

"Amazing Grace"

Obituary and Eulogy

Family Remembrances by Mary Handy

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Message

Prayer

Recessional

The service will conclude at Gethsemane Memorial Park.
Please turn on bright lights and hazards in procession to the Cemetery.

Kazuko "Kay" Shimoji Durham, 74, of Newport, North Carolina, passed away on Saturday, November 11, 2023, at her home.

A funeral service to honor Kay's life will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, December 2nd at Holly Springs Original Free Will Baptist Church in Newport, officiated by Rev. Mitchell Parker. Interment will follow at Gethsemane Memorial Park. The family will receive friends a half hour prior to the service.

Kazuko, fondly known as Kay, was born on February 21, 1949, to the late Kiyo Shimoji Wilson. Born in Okinawa, Japan, Kay loved her home country. The beauty and rich culture were among her favorite memories of times gone by. Kay had an incredible eye for detail which was a perfect fit for her career as a skilled seamstress. She loved her dog, Boots.

Those remaining to cherish her memory are her brother, Selby Wilson of South Carolina; aunt, Tomiko Zawasky of Jacksonville, NC who was raised with her as a sister; step-son, Davie Durham of Richmond, VA; sister-in-law, Sandra Styron of Newport, NC; along with numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, and other family members.

In addition to her parents, Kay was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Jimmy Ray Durham who passed away in 2020; grandparents, Seiyu and Kanemega Shimoji; uncles, Risie Shimoji and Hiroshi Shimoji; stepfather, Clifford R. Wilson; and her brothers-in-law, Jacki Durham, Pete Durham, Wayne Durham, Tommy Durham and Joseph Styron Sr.

Family and friends are welcome to submit online condolences at www.mundenfuneralhome.net.

Arrangements by Munden Funeral Home & Crematory in Morehead City, NC.

The LORD is my *Shepherd*;
I shall not want.

He maketh me to

lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my
soul;

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me:

Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies:

Thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.

Surely *goodness*

and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD

forever.

Psalm 23