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Toshiko Y. Smith

Nov. 25, 1935 - Jan. 16, 2006

GALVESTON - Toshiko Y. Smith, 70, Galveston, died 8:10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 16, 2006, at her home.

She was born Nov. 25, 1935, in Hyogoken, Japan, a daughter of Shigema and Sawae (Kawamura) Yamaoka, both of whom preceded her in death. On Feb. 7, 1958, in Tokyo, Japan, she married William L. Smith and he survives.

She was a homemaker and retired from Delco Electronics in 1998 after 26 years of service.

Toshiko enjoyed traveling with her husband while in the military, living and making friends all over the world. She enjoyed shopping, cooking, needle crafts and yard work, but most importantly, her family and grandchildren.

She was an avid Indiana University basketball fan and loved to watch all kinds of sports. Toshiko was very proud to be an American and of her American citizenship. The friends she met at home and abroad meant everything to her.

Surviving with her husband, William L. Smith, Galveston, are a son, Thomas L. and wife Angie Smith, Rochester; three grandchildren, Cory, Leighnee and Kaelee Smith; two great-grandchildren, William Fisher and Aidan Richey; a sister, Harumi Hayashioa of Japan; a brother, Shigetoshi Yamaoka, Japan; a "help" brother, Yozo Niiya, Japan; a brother and sister-in-law, Robert and Rebecca Smith, Galveston; a niece, Brenda and husband Mike Fross; and special friends, Nancy and Tom Madru and their daughter Joy.

She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Abby.

Graveside services will be held 1 p.m. Thursday at the Galveston Cemetery, with Pastor John Hrynk officiating. Visitation is 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Thursday at the Murray-Weaver Funeral Home, 401 S. California St. Galveston.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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