



## Kazuo Matsuura

July 13, 1932 - April 3, 2021

### He Only Takes the Best-Male

God saw he was getting tired a cure was not to be, so He put His arms around him and whispered "Come with Me". With tearful eyes we watched him suffer, and saw him fade away, although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

# Tribute Wall

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“ We heard only today of Kazuo’s death. Mary played cards with him at OLLI for a several years. He was a very talented card player and also fun to be around. He had the nicest smile and will be greatly missed. Jeannette and family, please accept our sincere condolences. Mary and Tim Mahoney

Mary and Tim Mahoney - September 08, 2021 at 05:28 PM

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Isamu and Ellen - June 10, 2021 at 03:48 PM

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“ We met Kazu and Jeanette in the early 60s. Since then, we’ve moved out of state. Kazu was nice enough to drive our little camper trailer and spend time with us in Idaho Falls. He even got to fish on the famous South Fork of the Snake River. Here's a couple of pictures from that experience. We’ve enjoyed the fun visits whenever we could get to Vegas. Such memories filled with good conversation, fun gambling and good food. We were amazed at Kazu’s speed on the poker machines and figured that this must have been the secret to his winnings. We miss Kazu, who was such an amiable, generous person. We will always treasure our memories of our times together. We offer our condolences to the Matsuura family.

Isamu and Ellen - June 10, 2021 at 03:48 PM

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**Isamu and Ellen Aoki Family** - June 09, 2021 at 07:26 AM

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“ *My most sincere and heartfelt condolences to the Matsuura family. Though it has been near 50 years since I have seen Sensei Matsuura, there have been many a time that his teachings have helped me in various situations that I found myself in. Aside from the obvious benefits of his teachings in Judo, the basics of the Japanese language and humility that I learned from him greatly help my career, particularly through out Asia. I also learned not to over estimate my own abilities while not judging the abilities of others from him - with the first lesson in that area coming from him devastating me on a ping pong table, with other object lessons to follow in other settings and circumstances. Of equal rich memories, are my memories of Mrs. Matsuura, Jeanette, who I always found to be one of the most kind and gracious ladies I have ever met in my life and who introduced me to and started me on my life long addiction to teriyaki dishes - which by the way has prompted my doctor to often say to me "I want you to eat like a Japanese man, not a Japanese Village". Though, I am, as I am certain are many others, saddened at the passing of Kazuo, I will always appreciate, celebrate and pass along the lessons I have learned from him and his wonderful wife. My warmest condolences and highest regards to the Matsuura family. Most respectfully, Phil Flaherty*

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**Phillip Flaherty** - May 20, 2021 at 07:56 PM

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“ *Jeanette and family I am so sorry for your loss. So many years since I've been in touch but I think of you fondly.*

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**Sherie Iverson** - April 30, 2021 at 07:33 PM

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“ *Our condolences to the family. I worked with Kaz 1981-1987. He was a great guy, always willing to help. I remember how he took time to teach a co-worker and I some basic Judo during lunch at work. God Bless.*

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**Ron Zawistoski** - April 25, 2021 at 01:26 PM