



Mitsue Basinger

July 9, 1932 - April 11, 2024

Mitsue Basinger, 91, of Searcy Arkansas went to be with her Lord and Savior Thursday April 11, 2024.

Mitsue was born to Eisuke and Yuki Ishikawa in Tokyo Japan on July 9, 1932. She survived WW II and the fire bombings by living in the country side with other children. She met her future husband Jewel Basinger when he was stationed in Japan with the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Despite efforts from the Army and State Dept to discourage the marriage, they overcame the obstacles and were married in Tokyo on Oct 8, 1954. It was not easy living in the U.S. in the early 1950s as a Japanese wife shortly after the war married to a soldier; but they stuck it out. Jewel preceded her in death on Nov 19, 2012. She is survived by niece Janet Estes and her husband Steve from Gulf Breeze, Fl., nephew Phillip Basinger and his wife Yolanda from Conway Ar., niece Melinda Basinger from Ward Ar. and numerous great and great-great nephews and nieces here and in Japan.

Grave side services will be on Tuesday April 16, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. at White County Memorial Gardens in Searcy Ar. with Brother John Bagley officiating. Mitsue Basinger spent her last six years living at the Heritage Living Center in Conway. She always spoke favorably of the Heritage Living Center and the staff there. Thanks to Hospice for their service in her last days.

To sign Mitsue's online guest book, go to www.powellfuneralhome.net

Previous Events

Graveside

APR **16**. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (cst)

White County Memorial Gardens
Eastline Road and Park Avenue
Searcy, AR 72143