



John J. Takasugi

March 22, 1924 - July 27, 2011

John J. Takasugi passed away on July 27, 2011 at his home in Wenatchee, WA. He was born on March 22, 1924 in Layton, UT to George and Kiyoko (Yoshizawa) Takasugi, was the third of eight children, and grew up on a family farm in Northern Utah. In June 1943, he graduated from Davis County High School, UT and enlisted in the US Army. In the Army, he was a member of the 442 Combat Infantry Regiment, 2nd Battalion, Company E which served France and Italy. During his service, he was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, the Bronze Star for Meritorious Achievement, and the Presidential Unit Citation. He was honorably discharged in 1946 with the rank of Staff Sergeant and returned to the family farm.

John married Taeko Hayashi in January 1951 in Tremonton, UT and in 1955 they bought a farm and moved to Homedale, ID. He farmed in Idaho for 31 years, and in 1966 received the Owyhee County Conservation Farmer of the year award. In addition, he was a member of the American Legion Post 31, Potato Growers of Idaho, Idaho Farm Bureau, and served two terms on the Board of the Farm Credit Services. He retired from farming, and in 1997 moved to Wenatchee, WA to be closer to family. He enjoyed his retirement years, playing golf, gardening, and spending time with his family.

John is survived by his wife Taeko: brother Michio and his wife Ayako of Wilder, ID; brother Max and his wife Michiko of Caldwell, ID; brother Shoji and

his wife Chieko of Graham, WA; sister Yoshiko Weber of Moraga, CA; sister Manny Nakamura of San Luis Obispo, CA; sister Helen Wheelus and her husband Luther of Dacula, GA; daughter Bonnie Takasugi (MD) and her husband Tom Stewart of Des Moines, WA; daughter Diane Takasugi (MS, RD) of Coupeville, WA; son Douglas Takasugi (JD) and his wife Janda of Wenatchee, WA; son David Takasugi (CPA) of Citrus Heights, CA and granddaughters Jordan Michelle and Taylor Mackenzie Takasugi. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Mary Akita, and son Robert.

At John's request there will be no memorial service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Central Washington Hospice at 1020 N. Wenatchee Ave., Wenatchee, WA 98801 or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are in care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.