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Americans of Japanese Ancestry World War II Memorial Alliance, I Company – Los Angeles and Japanese American Living Legacy host Betty Tsukiyama from the 442nd Clubhouse in Hawaii



Los Angeles, California, JACCC Memorial Court, October 23, 2007: L to R: Jim and Marian Yamashita, Betty Tsukiyama, Mike Tsuji, Betty's mother, Art Iwasaki.

It's been a few years since Betty Tsukiyama has visited Los Angeles. "A lot has changed but I'm so glad I came and was able to meet everyone – now I can place names with the emails I receive," said Betty.

Betty Tsukiyama works at the 442nd Clubhouse in Honolulu, Hawaii. She helps coordinate and assist all the companies and committees that meet at the clubhouse— and they keep her busy! Betty has been instrumental with assisting Memorial Alliance on the distribution of their CD rom project "Echoes of Silence." Betty decided to take a short vacation and visit Los Angeles when she contacted Susan Uyemura from Japanese

American Living Legacy (JA Living Legacy). Betty remembered Susan's visit to the islands in early June 2007.

Betty was greeted at the Miyako Inn in Little Tokyo by Art Iwasaki (I Company) and his sons, Robert and Paul, along with Susan Uyemura. Betty presented a floral bouquet at the JACCC Memorial Court, from the 442nd Clubhouse of Honolulu to Isami "Mike" Tsuji the architect of the World War II Memorial.

The Americans of Japanese Ancestry World War II Memorial Alliance, I Company – Los Angeles Chapter and JA Living Legacy hosted Betty and her mother, Elaine Yamamoto at the Ebisu Restaurant in downtown Los Angeles.

In attendance representing Memorial Alliance, I Company Los Angeles and JA Living Legacy were: Jim and Marian Yamashita, Art, Robert and Paul Iwasaki (Oregon), Shuji and Chiye Taketomo, Isami "Mike" Tsuji, Roger and Diana Eaton, Lance Shoho, and Susan Uyemura.

Americans of Japanese Ancestry World War II Memorial Alliance is a non profit organization. For more information on Memorial Alliance please visit their website www.ajawarvet.org

Japanese American Living Legacy is a nonprofit organization based out of California State University, Fullerton. For more information on Japanese American Living Legacy, please visit their website at www.jalivinglegacy.org or call them at (714) 278-4483.

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