



James T. Konishi

August 15, 2025

James Teiji Konishi, age 98, of Willowick, OH passed away peacefully on August 15, 2025, surrounded by his children. James was born in Los Angeles, California. His family was interned at the Camp Amache concentration camp for Japanese citizens in Colorado at the beginning of WWII. After the war his family relocated to Cleveland, Ohio. There he met his future wife, Rose Michiko Haruki, with whom he shared 72 years of marriage until her death in 2023. Jim enlisted in the army in 1945. After being honorably discharged, he graduated from Western Reserve College in Cleveland with a degree in mechanical engineering. He was employed as a mechanical R&D engineer by Clevite/Gould where he held several patents.

A renaissance man, Jim's hobbies included wood crafting, photography, target shooting, swimming, SCUBA diving, boating and deep-sea treasure hunting. He also volunteered for the Lake County Sheriff's emergency dive team. Jim co-founded the Aqua Amigos SCUBA Club at the Willoughby YMCA and also served as a YMCA board and committee member. As a swim instructor he taught adults, special needs children and SCUBA/skin diving. He swam a mile a day into his early 90's. Jim always put his family first. He is survived by his sons, Jeffrey (Dianne) and David (Patricia) and daughter, Carol (Tom Ward) and his granddaughter, Sarah Rose Konishi.

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