

Passing of Mary Colglazier and upcoming Viewing

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Mary Colglazier was born Mary Williams on February 13, 1924 to John and Ada Williams in San Diego, Ca. She was married to Floyd Colglazier in 1947 at the age of 23. Mary gave birth to two sons and one daughter, Nevin, Alan and Marianne.

Floyd passed into spirit world on April 3rd 1995. Mary's son Nevin and daughter Marianne joined the Unification movement in 1976 and 1978 respectively. Both were Blessed in 1982 with the 2075 couples. Mary attended a 21 day workshop in Booneville, Ca. in 1979 and became a committed associate member. Mary and Floyd (Floyd then in spirit world) were blessed in 2004. Mary's mother Ada became an associate member in 1983. Her mother attended a 7 day workshop at Hearst St. at the age of 85 and became an associate member.

Mary attended an event with True Parents in Long Beach Ca. She sat in the front row and as True Father came into the audience he asked her, "How long have you been married?" She replied, "50 years" Father said, "Truly?" and then bopped her on the head and then said "sorry". This was always her proud testimony of her experience with True Father.

Mary's son Nevin passed into spirit world on July 18, 2014. Nevin was blessed to Petra Roller and had two children. Mary is survived by her son Alan, his son Alan Scott, her daughter Marianne, son in law Alfred, and their children Neil, Hanna, Sarah, and Kayla, and Nevin and Petra's two children Ruth and Hans.

Sarah was blessed on February 12th, 2014 to Sanniell Ogawa, and they have one daughter Lilia, born on August 31st, 2015. Neil was Blessed to Teresa Ferrete on March 2nd, 2015.

In her younger years Mary worked as a substitute teacher for elementary aged children and having studied sign language also taught for the hearing impaired. She was a devoted wife and Mother. Both her and Floyd did their best to support their children even into their young adulthood. Floyd and Mary opened their home countless times to Unification Church missionary's and fundraisers that would travel through their hometown.

Marianne often talks about how her mother went over and beyond herself to help her and Alfred as they began family life, having come back from Korea pregnant and at a financially zero point in their new life together. In 1992, Mary moved in with Alfred and Marianne and helped to care for her grandchildren while Mom and Dad did their best to support their family and their church community. Mary was a member of WFWP and participated in many of the myriad programs they sponsored, a memorable one was the Interracial Sisterhood Projects in LA. She and her family received an award from the LA church as one of the "3 Generational Families". This was one acknowledgment she and her family truly cherished.

Mary would often share about her life with her grandchildren, walking them to school, preparing their meals, helping them with homework etc... She loved her children and grandchildren dearly. Mary always expressed a great joy when her grandchildren were around.

In 2007 Alfred and Marianne made a big move in life and Mary took it on, as the whole family moved into the BTA (Blessed Teens Academy) and Marianne became a full time caregiver for the program.

Mary became "**Grandma Mary**" from that time and has been Grandma to many young people in our movement. Mary would express so often how grateful she was to have met the BTA and to have been able to live with and travel with so many wonderful young people. Grandma Mary was often a comfort and resting place for many of the students who passed through BTA, as they were also a comfort to her.

Grandma Mary's motto in life was "Be Positive, Serve and Laugh a lot". And she really was like this. Even in her last few weeks when we would talk together she would say to us, "I can still laugh"....

There is so much to share about Grandma Mary. She was always ready to share, serve and give up anything to make another happy. She was a very social person and loved to be in conversation with others. Jerry's grand children would seek her out, as she would often read to them and play with them even when they were little, she created a play area in her room so they could come in there and be comfortable. Her grandson Elijah told Marianne when he learned that Grandma Mary was passing, "Who is going to read to me now?"

We believe her happiest moments before she became bed ridden was holding her great granddaughter and singing to her. Grandma Mary celebrated her 92nd birthday with True Parents on February 13th and passed into spirit world on Thursday, February 18th 2016 at 12:00 high noon.

In the last few months, Grandma Mary would often say, "Father is my best friend". She was longing to see and be with True Father. Mary lived a long, beautiful and adventurous life. She will be remembered by many as a good friend, Mother and Grandmother. Having moved back into the Colorado Community in 2013, Mary was happy to get re-acquainted with many of the members here. She loved this community and was sad when she was not able to attend service because of her health or transportation issues.

On Tuesday, February 23rd from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, family and friends are invited to Romero Family Funeral Home at 15150 E. Iliff Ave. Aurora, CO. 80014 to say farewell to leave a note, a memory or a wish for her transition.

She will then be flown out to California to have her final Seunghwa and burial. She will be buried next to Floyd in Riverside at the Riverside Memorial Naval Cemetery.

Letters, cards, and donations are all welcomed and will be treasured, cared for and used with integrity. Please address all correspondence to: Alfred and Marianne Rischl 2094 S Pagosa St. Aurora, Co. 80013

