

Hiroko Kihara Vaughan passed away on September 18, 2024. She was born September 11, 1932, in Taipei, Taiwan to Tatsunosuke Kihara and Minejiro Misao.

Her Father was the Head Master at the Japanese school in Taiwan, where Hiroko studied until her father's death, after which she, along with her mother and sister Tomoko, relocated to Japan.

After completing her studies in Japan, which included being the Valedictorian for the United States Naval Fleet Training in Yokosuka where she graduated first in her class, she was employed by the United States Naval Communication Station. While working as secretary to the Chief of Communications Stations, she met Vance Vaughan.

Hiroko arrived in Hawaii on August 11, 1968, and she and Vance were married on September 13, 1968 and made their home on Pacific Heights.

Her passions were Quilting and Ikebana, both of which were the source of numerous awards.

Hiroko you will be missed. Go in Peace!

