



## Momoko H. Mills

December 18, 1937 - January 31, 2017

Momoko Hayase Mills

Age 79, of Pittsburgh, dedicated and tireless community volunteer with service organizations such as Meals on Wheels, longtime member and organizer at Shadyside Presbyterian Church, and loving wife and mother, passed away January 31 after a long battle with cancer.

Born in 1937 in the Hokkaido town of Date, Momoko was the second of six children. Her father was an influential town official, and served many years on the Board of Directors of Japan Red Cross. She attended Hokusei Gakuen, an all-girls academy in Sapporo, and graduated from Hokusei Junior College. She met her husband David Mills in a choir, where they enjoyed singing a wide range of music together, from Japanese folk songs to Handel's Messiah. They were married in 1963 in Kita-ichijo Kyokai—Momoko's church in Sapporo. They moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan, where their son Michael was born in 1965, and then to Pittsburgh where their daughter Elizabeth was born in 1975. She was an indispensable presence at Shadyside Presbyterian Church, where she organized communion, visited elderly and infirmed members with flowers from the service, and helped found the Music in a Great Space concert series. She is survived by her husband David, son Michael, and daughter Elizabeth.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to UNICEF, Habitat for Humanity, or a charitable organization of your choice.

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