

The background is a watercolor-style illustration. The top half features a light blue and green wash with some brown and red splatters. On the right side, the Golden Gate Bridge is depicted in a reddish-brown color, extending from the top right towards the center. The bottom half shows a landscape with a small white house with a red roof on a hillside, surrounded by green and yellow foliage. A road or path leads towards the house. The overall style is soft and artistic.

# **Kunitada Jim Akagi**

**1921 - 1943**

**Kunitada Jim Akagi was born in Alameda, CA to Yoshio and Hisano Akagi who had emigrated from Hiroshima, Japan. Yoshio arrived in the US in 1905 and Hisano came as a picture bride in 1920.**

**Kunitada was a college student, a Sunday School teacher, and worked at the Topaz Times as a weather observer. He was only 22 when he passed, leaving behind his parents and his brother, Hiromu.**



## KUNI AKAGI DIES

Kunitada Akagi, 22, passed away early Thursday evening of pneumonia. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Akagi, and his brother, Hiromu, at 13-10-D.

The Protestant Sunday School expressed its sympathy over the passing away of Kunitada Akagi on June 24. Well-known among Topaz young people he was considered one of the most likeable Sunday School teachers. He was employed here as weather observer.



In appreciation of the sympathy extended to them on their recent bereavement, the death of their son, Kunitada, G. Akagi family and relatives wish to express their deep gratitude.

# Hisano Akagi

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From left, Setsu Kusumoto, 99, Hisano Akagi, 97, and Shizuko Tamaki, 84, were picture brides who came to America from Japan.

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## Picture Brides Recall Hardships of U.S. Life