Yoshinobu Shimanouchi

1876 - 1943

Yoshinobu Shimanouchi emigrated from Saga, Japan in 1908. He was a veteran of the Russo-Japanese War. His wife, Shizuye, and son, Toshiro, would follow in 1913. The couple had four more children: Naoshi, Ikuye, Mari, and Midori.

Yoshinobu was the editor of a daily newspaper called “The Los Angeles Japanese-American”

Sons Toshiro and Naoshi moved to Japan before WWII, while the rest of the family were sent to Topaz. Mari and Midori married while in camp and both left Topaz in early 1943.

Yoshinobu passed away on July 3, 1943.
SHIMANOUCHI PASSES AWAY

Yoshinobu Shimanouchi, 67, died early Saturday evening at 5:25 o'clock from cerebral hemorrhage and complications arising from pneumonia, it was revealed yesterday.

Funeral services will be held at the Protestant Church, Rec 22, this Friday from 9 AM.

He is survived by his wife, Shizue, 28-11-B, and 3 daughters now in the East, Ida, Mari and Midori. His 2 sons, Toshiro and Naoshi, are in Japan.
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FORMER PASADENA STUDENT

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 28. (P)—Toshiro Shimanouchi, press relations officer who greeted American officers landing on Atsugi Airdrome near Tokyo today, was graduated from Occidental College in 1931, college officials said.

Shimanouchi, who used the name Henry at the college, was an honor student in political science and was a member of Tau Kappa Alpha, honorary forensic society, and Delta Theta Psi, honorary journalism society.

His father, Yoshinobu Shimanouchi, was editor of a daily newspaper, the Los Angeles Japanese-American.

Young Shimanouchi attended Pasadena High School and Pasadena Junior College. He returned to Japan after graduation from Occidental College, which he entered in 1927.

Toshiro Shimanouchi would go on to be an interpreter for the Tokyo War Crimes trial and Consul General in Los Angeles.