



Cheruvathoor & Masako Uthuppuru

July 24, 2022

We are heartbroken to announce the passing of Cheruvathoor Zachariah (Joe) and Masako Kina Uthuppuru. Masako passed away on May 13, 2022 at the age of 78. Her husband, Joe, followed her two and a half months later on July 24, 2022, at the age of 87.

Masako was born on August 10, 1943 in Naha, Okinawa. Joe was born on September 29, 1934 in Kunnankulam, India. They both came to Bloomington, Indiana to study at Indiana University, where they met and fell in love. They were married at the First United Methodist Church on June 8, 1968. Joe and Masako were known by all their friends and family as a caring, giving couple, both in thought and in deed. They were devoted members of the First United Methodist Church, and donated both their time and money to anyone in need. They were avid travelers, who never shied away from an 18-hour flight or 5-day drive to visit a friend or family member, and everyone was always welcome in their home. Joe and Masako are survived by their daughter Susan (David) Fischer and son Peter (Mary) Uthuppuru, and their grandson Aedan Fischer.

A funeral service will be held for Joe at the Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 South Old State Road 37, Bloomington, on Saturday, July 30, 2022. Viewing will be from 10am - 12 pm, and the service will be from 12pm - 1 pm.

A celebration of life for Masako will take place at the First United Methodist Church on Saturday, August 13, 2022 from 1pm-3pm.

We invite anyone who knew them to attend either or both services to remember their joyous lives. For those who are only able to attend one, both Joe and Masako will be honored at each event.

"Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Mark 10:9

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 30. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Service

JUL 30. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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“ My parents were dear friends of the Uthupurrus and they graciously hosted us for many Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners because we did not have any extended family nearby. Beyond holidays we regularly carpooled, had summer picnics at Cascades and innumerable memories that I am able to reflect on with a smile. RIP and I know they're in a better place.

David Feldstein - August 16, 2022 at 06:49 PM



“ My sympathies to the family. Joe was a tremendous influence on my career. I met Joe in the early 1980s when my ability as a new Ph.D. student to make mistakes with computer tapes exceeded the ability of most other experts at BACS to fix them. Later, when I was working full time as a consultant Joe aided my ability with tapes by going on vacation and directing complicated tape problems to me. (I do not recall that I knew about this in advance, which he thought was very funny. And it was.). And at a time when I was about ready to give up my dissertation research he found and suggested the fix to an error I had made in a fairly complicated computer program that I had written. That program was at the core of analyzing my research data. Without his help I doubt I would have finished my Ph.D. Joe was always a kind person and a gentleman first, a computer expert second.

Craig Stewart - August 01, 2022 at 08:38 AM



“ I met Joe around 1998, when he joined a database administration team I managed. As his retirement date was approaching, the team and I decided to give him a big send off. We got a huge cake and invited his family along with everyone who knew Joe. It was so wonderful, and one of my fondest of many great memories working at IU.

I remember meeting his kids Peter and Susan, and his wife of course. Such a lovely family!

I'm grateful that I got to know Joe. He was such a good, kind man and he made life better for all those he met, including me. My deepest condolences to all his family and friends. He will be missed.

Christopher Mandeville - July 30, 2022 at 09:02 PM

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“ My memories go back fifty years with Joe. I learned from observing how Joe handled himself while helping clients how i should also interact with people. He was always full of compassion and understanding all done with good humor. What a wonderful world it would be if we all could be like Joe and his wife. My sympathy to Peter and Susan and families. Do as me and cherish the memories of these two beautiful people..

Thomas A. Perkins - July 29, 2022 at 02:09 PM

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“ - The Bapu Family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Cheruvathoor & Masako Uthupuru.



- The Bapu Family - July 29, 2022 at 01:30 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Cheruvathoor & Masako Uthupuru.*



July 28, 2022 at 05:07 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Cheruvathoor & Masako Uthupuru.*



July 28, 2022 at 05:00 PM



“ *We send our sympathy to Cheruvathoor and Masako's family. Masako and I would greet each other at church and share news of our daughters, Susan and Caitlin. They were in the marching band at Bloomington North High School together and each moved to Texas as young women. Masako's beautiful smile would always show her love for Susan. May you know the comfort that Jesus promises to all who mourn. Nancy and Chuck Macklin*

Nancy Macklin - July 28, 2022 at 01:49 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Cheruvathoor & Masako Uthupuru.*



July 27, 2022 at 07:41 PM

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“ *Davis Uncle and Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Cheruvathoor & Masako Uthuppuru.*



Davis Uncle and Family - July 27, 2022 at 10:16 AM

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“ *Seemon Uncle & Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Cheruvathoor & Masako Uthuppuru.*



Seemon Uncle & Family - July 26, 2022 at 08:33 PM