She was artistically-minded. She had a beautiful singing voice and perfect pitch and belonged to many choirs and ensembles; she was particularly dedicated to her High Church Anglican liturgical choir. She learned painting and jewelry from her mother who was an artist; she herself was more of a very good artisan. She wrote beautiful French prose and, during her illness, drew up her memoirs for her two grandsons she would not see grow up.

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DR. TEIZI KAWAI (20 Oct. 1925-23 April. 2005)



TEIZI KAWAI was born in Kyoto and lived his entire life in the city that was an old capital in Japan. He graduated from Kyoto University in 1949 and obtained a research associate position with the Ohtsu Hydrobiological Station. Two years later, he became a faculty member of Nara Women's University (NWU) and retired in 1989 as a professor of Faculty of Science and Graduate School of Human Culture, NWU. He was honored with the title of professor emeritus at NWU for his many substantial scholarly achievements. He continued his scientific activity till the last days and passed away on 23 April 2005. He made major contributions on the taxonomy of Asian Plecoptera. He was awarded 1995 Life Time Achievement Award for his lifeworks from the International Committee of Plecoptelorogists at the XII International Symposium on Plecoptera, Lausanne in Switzerland. He also performed his duty as a member of both the Committee and the editorial board for "Aquatic Insects" for long time. He contributed greatly to the development of Japanese and Asian aquatic entomology. The book "An illustrated Book on Aquatic Insects in Japan" edited by him has been used for 20 years in Japan, and a new book "Aquatic Insects of Japan: Manual with Keys and Illustrations" published in January 2005, when he was in hospital. He and Dr. Tanida planned to publish this book 10 years ago, and it was eagerly anticipated. His last studies and

subsequent publications were completed despite his struggle against lung cancer.

When he was 42, he spent a year at the Max-Planck-Institute for Limnology in Schlitz focusing on his research on the taxonomy of Plecoptera. He loved Schlitz as his second hometown, because of great people and beautiful surroundings. Because of his natural pleasant personality he had many friends in the world. He was characterized by his lively intellectual curiosity. He had a great interest in natural history museums, zoos, postage stamps, and even in the kinds of toilet paper! He spent his entire life as a young boy, filled with great curiosity.

During the last several months of his life, his students visited him frequently in the hospital, spending much quality time with him. His collections of stoneflies, other material and literature have been deposited both in Biwa Lake Museum and Nara Women's University, respectively. At Nara Women's University, he was honored with the "Kawai Bunko" (the Library of Kawai). He is remembered as a good friend and senior of our profession forever.

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