Family Portraits

- Bonds Torn Apart -

The IMAORA Family in front of their house (1941)

Courtest of Yutaka TAGASHIRA

August 1 - August 31, 2022



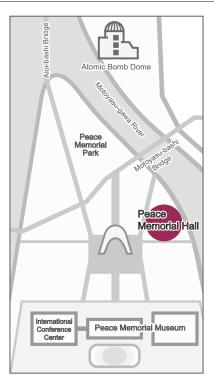
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This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Hiroshima National Peace Memorial Hall for the Atomic Bomb Victims, which opened on August 1, 2002. Since its opening, the Memorial Hall has registered and displayed the names and photographs of those who died in the atomic bombing. While registering photographs of the deceased, we often receive family photos, all of which have been carefully preserved.

For this special exhibition, we have selected nearly 200 family photos taken before the bombing and will display them in the Hall of Remembrance, the circular space with a circumference of about 55 meters, located on the lower level of the Memorial Hall.

Under the steady gaze of the people in these photographs, visitors will be able to recognize the horror of the atomic bomb, which not only brought instant death but also tore apart entire generations, and the value of peace.

In addition, we will highlight the stories of six families from these family photos in the Library on the upper level.



Approx. 20 minutes from Hiroshima Station (South Exit)

By Streetcar: Take the streetcar headed for

Miyajima-guchi or Eba and get off at Atomic Bomb Dome.

By bus: Take the Hiroshima Bus bound for

Yoshijima and get off at Hondori.

※ No parking available.



The OKUMOTO Family (Courtesy of Hiroshi OKUMOTO)



The IMAOKA Family (Courtesy of Yutaka TAGASHIRA)



The NISHIKAWA Family (Courtesy of Kunihiro KIMURA)



The KURATA Family (Courtesy of Michio KURATA)

Collecting the names and photographs of A-bomb victims

In order to memorialize the A-bomb victims and to convey the fact that a large number of people died in the atomic bombing, we continue to register the names and photographs of victims of the atomic bomb.

Names and photographs of the deceased will be displayed at the Peace Memorial Hall and will be permanently preserved. We also accept photos of the deceased with their family.

The date of death is irrelevant and an Atomic Bomb Survivor's Certificate is not necessary. If you wish to have your photo returned, we will make a duplicate and return the original.

Registering Victims of the Atomic Bomb

Registration forms are available at the Atomic Bomb Survivors Relief Department of both Hiroshima City Hall and Nagasaki City Hall, as well as in the Hiroshima and Nagasaki Peace Memorial Halls. They can also be sent by mail upon request.

Hiroshima National Peace Memorial Hall for the Atomic Bomb Victims

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