

—Shin Yatomi, March 30, 2007, *World Tribune*, p. 7

“In the beginning of this ordeal, I was trying to prepare myself for death through stoic detachment, but now I am learning that the best way to prepare for death — which could come to anyone anytime — is to live fully each day, to advance with hope every day, no matter the circumstance. One will face death only in the way he or she lives.”

Carolyn and Shin on their wedding day, April 21, 2007.



Shin Yatomi

November 29, 1961 — May 31, 2007

PROGRAM

Poem by Risin'n Sun (Tommye Lee)

Recitation of the Sutra: Danny Nagashima, General Director, SGI-USA

Incense Offering

Photo Montage

International Messages: Trena Berton

Michihiro Nakashima, President, Southern California Kendo Association

Takayanagi Ren, OSULA Kendo Dojo

Jeff Farr, Editorial Department Director, SGI-USA

Song by Naima Obaitori and Alex Alessandroni

Kenji Hagiwara's Letter: Rika Hagiwara

Yatto Suzuki, one of Shin's many friends

Shin's Study Conference Video

SGI President Daisaku Ikeda's Message: Cecilia Ocampos

Performance "Haha" (Mother): Nestor Torres

Matilda Buck, SGI North America Women's Vice Leader

Danny Nagashima, General Director, SGI-USA

Family: Carolyn Yatomi and Aiko Kondo

Close with chanting Nam-myoho-enge-kyo

***“When you chant *myoho* and recite *rengo*, you must summon up deep faith that
Myoho-enge-kyo is your life itself.”***

—from Nichiren's writing, “On Attaining Buddhahood in This Lifetime”