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TRIBUTE TO SHIZUKO S. RADBILL

The colleagues of Shizuko S. Radbill in the East Asian studies information profession mourn the loss of this highly dedicated Japanese Studies librarian.

Most of us remember Ms. Radbill, for many years the Japanese Studies Librarian at the University of Arizona, for her painstaking and selfless service to the profession and to library users at the University of Arizona and across the country. She was always willing to share her ideas and insights regarding the improvement of Japanese studies information service operations. This generosity and enthusiasm led her, despite an extremely busy schedule, to agree to serve on the OCLC CJK Users' Group Executive Board. In that capacity she expanded the member base of the group and worked to help make it an effective channel of information exchange among East Asian studies librarians. She was also very active in the initial stage of the endeavors of the National Planning Team for Academic Japanese Libraries .

Those of us who entered the East Asian studies library community recently also remember Ms. Radbill's extensive and cordial professional network with all East Asian studies librarians in North America and her conscientious efforts to make sure that newcomers were immediately introduced to members of the community and integrated into nationwide efforts to improve collections and other library services.

Shizuko Radbill is survived by her husband, Kenneth Radbill. We remember her with fondness and gratitude. May she rest in peace.

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