It is with great sadness that we learned about the passing of Mrs. Constance Starr at her home in Colorado, the United States, on August 26th. She made great contributions to the development of the Suzuki Method in the world with her husband William Starr, who served as the first president of International Suzuki Association.

Constance Starr, who herself was a pianist, learned the Suzuki piano teaching method while she and her family stayed in Japan in 1968 ~ 1969. Then she made a great achievement in expanding the Suzuki Method throughout the United States and throughout the world with her violinist husband.

We post the pictures with our nostalgic memory of her first and last visit to Japan.

It was 1968-1969 and 2013(for the 16th SUZUKI World Convention in Matsumoto) . We would like to pray that her soul may rest in peace with Suzuki families in Japan and the world.

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Starr family in the Summer School in 1969
Mr. and Mrs. Starr performing in the TERI Hall in 1969

Mr. and Mrs. Starr in the 16th World Convention in 2013