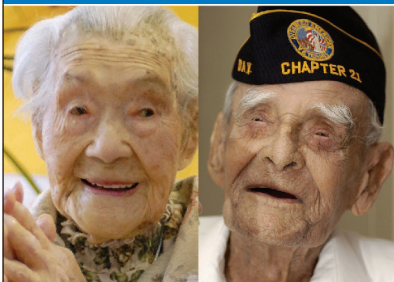


Oldest living person



Yone Minagawa (left), a 114-year-old Japanese woman, has become the world's oldest living person following the death on Sunday of America's Emma Faust Tillman, also 114. Tillman's reign was short-lived. She assumed the title on January 24 with the death of 115-year-old Emiliano Mercado del Toro (right) of Puerto Rico

■ **Yone Minagawa:** Born January 4, 1893, the same year as China's **Mao Zedong**, she has lived through four Japanese emperors. Widowed early, she raised five children by selling vegetables she grew herself