My teachers & the line to the founder

Con Athanassiou, Retired Aust. Ohtsuka Sensei. Retired Japan
Watanabe Sensei. Aust . Sudo Sensei Japan
Sosui Ichikawa, kanki Izumikawa,
Seiko Higa, Chojun Miyagi ,

Watanabe Sensei. Aosta
Sudo Sensei Japan

James Sumarac Tony Athanassiou Con Athanassiou George C. David Z John Tzinis

Andrew Z

John Stryde

This is the first Official GoJu-Kensha Tournament held at the first full time dojo in Hawthorn Vic 1982

The Lineage of O. Sensei in Australia the only ones missing are Paul Tomassini & Michael Wendrich

It must be remembered that although this picture contains a large percentage of still practising students, Masters are not expected to retire before old age or death.

Ohtsuka Sensei ,

Tony Athanassiou, Patron & Father of first Australian 5th Dan.
Con Athanassiou, First 5th Dan (Retired )
James Sumarac in this photo 2nd Dan. After Con’s retirement took over GJKA. now 7th or ?
George Ciechanowicz in this photo 2nd Dan head of Kinshin Kai now 6th Dan
David Zarb in this photo 2nd Dan, head of A.D.A now 5th Dan
John Tzinis in this photo 2nd Dan, head of Kenshin ryu dojo now 6th Dan
John Stryde in this photo 3rd Dan ??

Andrew Z
I am not sure on who continued in Karate from the people who left Goju-Kensha, but I am sure no 5th Dan or over came from that line.

The first master to be sent to Australia was Teruo Okamoto. He spent 9 months establishing G.J.K.A. in Melb.