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----- (From the Author): -----

----- Why Brown American? ----- On June

2, 1973, I married Millicent O. Pasaporte, a Filipina nurse on the

Work Exchange Program, at the Our Lady of Help Christians

Catholic Church in Chicago, Illinois. By March of 1974, our

daughter, Kimberly, was born. ----- As has been the

common practice of married young couples who have

immigrated to America, petitioning for their parents is the next

logical step they do after they become Naturalized US Citizens.

Parents are a tremendous asset once they set foot on American

soil. They do not only keep watch on the house while their

children go to work, they also do invaluable household chores,

cook favorite childhood dishes and, most importantly, babysit

their grandchildren. (Culturally, mother-in-law jokes don t fly

with Filipinos. In-laws are welcome to stay with married

children for as long as they wish.) ----- I did just that -

applied for my retired parents coming. In October, 1974, I met

them at Chicago s O Hare International Airport...



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