



Benjamin Teiko Fonua

August 4, 1978 - February 17, 2016

Our Sweet King Benjamin Teiko Fonua, 37, of Salt Lake City Utah, was called back home to our Father in Heaven on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, while surrounded by his families and friends, and most importantly, his loving wife and five beautiful children. Benjamin, also known as "King Benjamin", "Big Ben/Benny" or "DJ BenJammn" was born to Militoni and Funaki Fonua on August 04, 1978 in North Salt Lake, Utah. He has a twin, which puts him the second out of seven children.

From the oldest to the youngest:

- His Twin Sister Tupou married BJ Limutau
- Brother Mafile'o Fonua (deceased)
- Brother Sebastian married Tuluti Fonua
- Sister Roxeanne married Robin Limutau
- Sister Pianola married Jimmy Aiono
- Brother Militoni "Leka" Fonua

He married the love of his life, Mafi Imoasinga Mounga on April 11, 1998, and was sealed for time and all eternity at the Salt Lake Temple. Benjamin is survived by his five beautiful children:

- Funaki Aholelei Kefu Fonua,
- Lavinia Talalua Fonua,
- Sebastian Teiko Fonua,
- Maile Mounga Fonua,
- and the one and only
- Kaloni Siniola Lutui Fonua.

Ben was always involved in his children's accomplishments, and always made sure their needs were met. He never missed any of their games, and he was most definitely their number one fan. With that being said, he was the Assistant Coach of West little league of which he helped coach with his lifelong friend and Head Coach Tevita Vainuku.

After spending most of his life in Rose Park Ben bought a home and moved his loving family to West Valley in 2015 where he was named the Head Coach of the Granger Lancer Gremlins. Home of the G-House, where they won the championship of 2015-2016 season.

Big Ben worked at Dawns Foods for over 15 years, and which was also his second family. He was also known as the best DJ around for many years, and was also a security guard for most of the functions held in Salt Lake City. Aside from his duties as a coach, a sports fan, his hobbies, his family was his main priority. He never rested until he knew his family was taken care of.

He was a man of little words but his actions spoke louder than his words. Like they say, "It's not what you say; it's how you say it. It's not what you do; it's how you do it. It's not what you see; it's how you look at it. It's not how your life is, it's how you live it."

His Wife and Children would like to thank all of Bens Family, Friends, Co-Workers for all their love and support for them, the outpouring of love from Granger and his Rose Park Family for King Benjamin and his family has been felt tremendously in our hearts.

Words of King Benjamin from the Book of Mormon... Mosiah 5:15 "Therefore, I would that ye should be steadfast and immovable, always abounding in Goods Works, that Christ, the Lord God Omnipotent, may seal you his, that you may be brought to Heaven, that ye may have everlasting salvation, and eternal life, through the wisdom, and power, and justice, and mercy of him who created all things, in Heaven and in earth, who is God above all.

This scripture sums up our sweet Ben's life.

Funeral services for our "Sweet Ben"

Viewing will be held at the Rose Park North Stake Center located at, 1155 N 1200 W, Friday February, 26th from 6pm-10pm. And, Saturday February 27, at the Riverside 2nd Tongan Ward located at, 660 N Redwood Road. We will start with the family program at 9am-11:30am, followed by the Bishops program at 12:00pm. Afterwards, the burial will be at the Redwood Memorial Cemetery on 6500 Redwood Rd, Salt Lake City 84123.

Services are under the direction of Peni Malohifo'ou of Serenity Funeral Home

God didn't promise day without pain, laughter without sorrow, nor sun without rain, but he did promise strength for the day, comfort for the tears, and light for the way. May we all

look forward to being reunited with families as the plan of salvation promises us: Families Are Together for all Eternity. Malo and Ofa Lahi Atu 🎉🎉🎉🎉🎉🎉🎉🎉.

Cemetery

Events

Redwood Memorial Estates FEB

6500 S Redwood Road
Salt Lake City, UT, 84123

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Viewing

06:00PM - 10:00PM

Rose Park North Stake Center

1155 North 1200 West, Salt Lake City, UT, US, 84116

FEB

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Family Program

09:00AM - 11:30AM

Riverside Tongan Ward

660 North Redwood Road., Salt Lake City, UT, US

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Bishops Service

12:00PM

Riverside Tongan Ward

660 North Redwood Road., Salt Lake City, UT, US

Comments



“ My earliest memory of Ben was when he thought my thumb was a piece of candy. It wasn't his fault for almost biting my thumb off. I had given Pou a piece of candy and ate the other one. I wrapped my thumb around the candy wrapper and Ben took my thumb wrapped with candy wrapper and put it in his mouth. He was confused at why I was crying took my thumb out of his mouth took the wrapper off and saw my thumb had started bleeding. I'll never forget his face after that. He was horrified that he had hurt me and started crying as well. He was only three and a half and I was five. Serves me right for disguising my thumb as a piece of candy.

Ben was also our body guard too always looking out for us especially my brother Lakei. Anybody try to bully Lakei he would be there to watch over. Lakei took advantage once and decided to steal a ball from a palangi boy. Lakei ran straight behind to where Ben is standing. Ben confused at why Lakei was hiding and looked over to see a palangi boy very mad charging for Lakei. Ben took a stance like a defensive lineman and the palangi boy told Ben he can keep the ball. Ben turned to Lakei put his hands on Lakei's shoulder and smiled Ben then took the ball and threw it back to the palangi boy.

Always made me feel special when I slept over. He would chase all the boys out of the tv room so me an Pou could have the whole room to ourselves to watch TV.

He was always "submissive, meek, patient, and full of love..." (Mosiah 3:19) as said by King Benjamin in The Book of Mormon.



Ana Takuvaka Latu - February 28, 2016 at 02:40 PM



“ Our five heart beats...



Singa Fonua - February 26, 2016 at 01:09 AM



“ Families are forever...



Singa Fonua - February 26, 2016 at 01:07 AM



“ We will miss your quiet smiling face....my youth class in Riverside Ward...your humbleness and loving heart bless so many lives even our family...give your brother a big hug for all of us..'ofeina lahi 'a e si'i uitou Singa and your beautiful children ...even your parents Funaki & Militoni....RIP..dear nephew King Benjamin Teiko Fonua....Noreen(aunty) Liu Hopokingi & family. Bountiful...Utah..

Noreen Lavulo Hopokingi - February 25, 2016 at 12:15 PM



“ Will forever miss your laugh and jokes Ben! What a Joyous reunion it is for everyone on the other side but especially for you and Leo. Watch over your Wife and kids, I can't wait for the day for all of our loved ones to be together again! We will FOREVER LOVE and MISS you #bigBEN
Love the Tauteolis/Vaenukus

Noa Melissa - February 25, 2016 at 11:25 AM



“ I'll never forget all the good times we all had growing up in rosepark and west high school! Thank you for both for being a part of my life that I cherish- the last time I saw Ben he gave me a hug and we cried talking about the passing of my mom- and all the crazy times she sweated teachers for him and all the boys! We love u singa and kids- may u find comfort in the Plan of salvation and know our prayers are with u!!
Alofa-tele- Gina and Kerv Tua'one

gina - February 25, 2016 at 01:13 AM



“ God bless you, Singa and Kids during these hard times. And the rest of the family. May the good Lord be with us al . Ofa lahi atu Big Ben.. Til we meet again!

Vee Palei - February 25, 2016 at 12:58 AM



“ Ofa lahi Atu Singa moe fanau Rest In Gods Love Benjammin !! Yu will be missed Bt never forgotten ! Ofa Atu kihe famili mo e lotu !

Nanu Mila - February 25, 2016 at 12:44 AM