



Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia

August 8, 1960 - November 14, 2013

Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia: born August 8th, 1960

Salu Hakila Laumatia (nee Tuia), passed away suddenly at her home on Thursday, November 14th, 2013. Salu was born on August 8th, 1960 in Auckland, New Zealand to Naseri Taoatoa and Potoa'e Tuia. Salu married Vaiopa'a Laumatia in the Laie, Hawaii temple on December 20th, 1980.

Salu has dedicated her life in the service of God, by serving in the LDS Church; as a 'Primary President', 'Relief Society President and Teacher, Young Women's Presidency, Pianist, veil worker at the Provo Utah Temple and served with her husband in the Provo MTC Branch Presidency for over three years and many other auxiliary callings. Salu was born and raised in Auckland, New Zealand and attended high school at Edgewater College. When Salu went to Samoa on a vacation trip in December 1978, she was offered an opportunity to attend BYU Hawaii by her uncle. It was there that she began her education at BYU Hawaii, in the Travel Management field. Salu's greatest accomplishment was her marriage to her eternal companion Vaiopa'a Laumatia and raising her eight beautiful children. Salu continued to serve in her community in Provo, Utah. Salu, had touched the lives of many people and was influential in her community. Recently, she became active with her friends in "couponing," and "zumba," but always maintained her dedication to the Lord through her service in all her callings.

Salu is survived by her husband Vaiopa'a Laumatia and her children, Melody, Eldon, Aaron, Jasmine (son in-law Andrew Pornintra), Jade (son in-law Loto To'o), Cameron, Jordan, Charity and grand daughter Maylea. Salu is also survived by her siblings, Alexander, Maureen, Phillip and Western Tuia. She is also loved and cherished by her father-in-law Talaia Laumatia and all her brother and sister-in-laws. She will be dearly missed by all her nieces and nephews and many family and friends.

The Family service for Salu will be held Friday, November 22nd from 8 to 10 am, the Funeral Service will follow at 11.00 am, all services will be held at the Orem 9th Ward

Chapel: 80 South 280 East in Orem, Utah (The chapel behind Smith's on Center Street Orem). Following her services she will be laid to rest at the Orem City Cemetery. (1520 North 800 East Orem)

Under the direction of Peni Malohifo'ou Serenity Funeral Home Draper, Utah

Our family would like to express our appreciation for all your love and support. A donation account will be available under her name soon.

Cemetery

Orem City Cemetery

1520 N 800 E

Orem, UT,

Events

NOV **Family Viewing** 08:00AM - 10:00AM

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Orem 9th Samoan Ward

80 South 280 East, Orem, UT, US, 84058

NOV **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Orem 9th Samoan Ward

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Comments



“ Kathy Wells lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



Kathy Wells - June 19, 2014 at 05:17 AM



“ We grew up in the same neighbourhood, Pakuranga, went to the same primary school, Anchorage Park, and secondary school, Edgewater College. An absolutely beautiful lady. My condolence cels to the whanau. Arohanui.

Kathy Wells - June 19, 2014 at 05:23 AM



“ Today we farewellled you my dear friend. What a beautiful day it was. A celebration of your life was wonderful. For the past week since your passing I've been thinking of what to say for not only a dear friend but also for a person whom I've come to appreciate and love as a sister in Christ. You are a wonderful missionary. You would strike up conversations with perfect strangers we came across. I will miss our many trips to the store to coupon. Our drives to our various destinations were always great-talking about our hopes for our children, our love for the gospel and our sisterhood in RS and that our sweet husbands should be on Iron Chef since they're such great cooks:) You'll be surely missed by all, but the plan of salvation is real. Ia manuia lau malaga sweet lady and until we meet again xxox

Fao Seufale - November 23, 2013 at 12:01 AM



“ To my dearest friend of many moons ago, we laughed and talked to the wee hours of the mornings every time our families got together. The things we dreamed of and wanted out of life you made happen. I never got to meet your eternal dream boat nor your family, as our paths in life led us to other parts of the world as we entered our next journey of becoming wives and parenthood. Your infectious smile and example of humility will linger with me for eternity until we meet again. Love you always,
Leuina Gisa

Leuina Ngawaka - November 22, 2013 at 12:57 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia.



November 22, 2013 at 01:01 AM



“ Love to the Laumatia family! I know your doing work on the other side and laughing it up with my mom! say hi to her for me! God be with you till we meet again!! Tanoai Family

Maelynn - November 22, 2013 at 01:25 AM



“ Always calm and peaceful. I will never forget you Aunty Salu...Your soft sweet voice with never a negative word to say...we know you are already busy on the other side...Until we meet again....love you Laumatia's

Summer Sa'aga Prescott - November 22, 2013 at 12:14 AM



“ To the Laumatia family and my dearest feleni Maureen Tuia. Am so, so sad to hear of your loss, my deepest condolences to you all and may our Heavenly Father comfort your pain. Thinking of you all, much love Mata Manapori (Auckland, NZ)



Mata - November 21, 2013 at 11:35 PM



“ Uutilafi Faumuina lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



Uutilafi Faumuina - November 21, 2013 at 07:44 PM



“ Salu, we as the Donnelly family loved growing up next to the Tuia Family in Pakuranga and we all attended the same school Edgewater College. I miss the Tuia family so much as Salu, Wes, Alex, Mareen and Phi always cared and looked after me as a child. Salu always had time for me and always had a smile. Salu you will be missed so dearly and in my heart. You are in great hands of God now. love Glen and Jane.

Glen Jane - November 21, 2013 at 07:15 PM



“ Salu I loved how you and your beautiful family were to me growing up in Auckland New Zealand You were so shy and quite. I am sadden to hear of your passing. I know you are in great hands now with your parents.
god bless
Kim Donnelly

Kim Donnelly - November 21, 2013 at 01:54 PM



“ We first meet Salu at BYU-Hawaii Salu's sister is a very good friend of ours Maureen. I can remember Salu being a very laid back mother who had such a very calm spirit about herself - Had an awesome smile and very caring. I saw that when she was with her children. Salu has left a wonderful legacy behind, her beautiful children & her husband. Salu will be dearly missed by all especially her family, our prayers & love are with your family at this time.

Much Alofas

Kerry & Esther Tukukino

Esther Tukukino - November 21, 2013 at 03:58 AM



“ "We were neighbors at BYU-Hawaii Temple View Apartments L Block, upstairs...She had a beautiful smile always. She was Vai's "soul-mate". I will remember Salu as a woman of virtue, kindness, fun-loving, ready to help, talented, sweet attitude and that she loved Vai. Though we haven't seen each other for many years, I am happy to have had her as a very dear friend. Her gentle and loving spirit has touched my heart many times over... until we meet again...our love to Vai and children.

Momi Ezekiel - November 21, 2013 at 03:02 AM



“ RIP sister Laumatia! You were a great example of Christ Like love, always serving with a willing heart and a smile on your face. My wife is grateful for all the time you visited her when we were in the ward and is saddened by the news that you are no longer with us. Our love and condolences to Bishop Laumatia and your children, sorry we are not able to be at the funeral, but know that our thoughts and prayers are will you all. Ia Manuia lou Malaga Salu.

Nofoa Tevaga - November 20, 2013 at 10:25 AM



“ Margaret Tuia lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



margaret tuia - November 20, 2013 at 12:57 AM



“ I met Salu while attending BYUH. Her dear husband, Vai, and I were in the same campus ward. I remember how happy she made him while they courted and there was no doubt that their love for each other was meant to be.

I can still remember Salu's gentle kindness, her love for the gospel and her enduring love for Vai and their family. My condolences to the family.

Until we meet again.

William Bucasas - November 19, 2013 at 08:41 PM



“ Salu was such a sweet lady. She was always smiling and never seemed to complain about anything. We love you Salu.
Thoughts and prayers go out to Vai and the rest of the family. We love you guys.

Misi, Robin and Family.

Misi Fiu - November 19, 2013 at 07:35 PM



“ Sitting here thinking of the many many memories I have of such a dear, kind, generous, and loving woman. I don't ever remember her saying anything unkind, or even yelling ever. I always thought that even when she disciplines her children, it was probably with a soft kind tone. When my family moved to Utah County. We met Bishop Laumatia, Salu and their family and instantly felt like we were a part of them. I'm grateful to have known her, and see her example shine every day. She will definitely be missed. Grateful for the knowledge of the plan of salvation and that we will see her again. Farewell for now my sweet sister. Love to Bishop, kids and family.

Simalu Alofipo and family

Simalu - November 19, 2013 at 06:06 PM



“ Connie Burke (Barber) lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



Connie Burke (Barber) - November 19, 2013 at 04:01 PM



“ This song reminds me of you Salu, A Womens Heart, I changed it to "Salu's Heart"!

Mornings came, HE found her on her knees
The spirit spoke and she listened.
She offered everything her soul could give to make a difference through the life she lived
Her faith made her family grow
She understood what matters most
And her gentle touch is where love starts
That's the way of a SALU's heart
She was a keeper of the vision
She was a beacon in the night
A teacher and defender of the truth
And everything she touched are the traces of her life
She was faithful to what God himself would do
She was a friend to the lonely and the lost, everyday another bridge to cross
Her hands of mercy knew the healers heart
That's the way of SALU's heart.
She was a keeper of the vision
She was a beacon in the night
A teacher and defender of the truth
And everything she touched are the traces of her life
She was faithful to what God himself would do
Evening came HE found her on her knees
She softly spoke and HE listened.
The sweet assurance that she did her part
She rejoices, in his peace
That's the way of SALU's heart.

I love you my dear sister.

Pauline Key - November 19, 2013 at 02:18 PM



“ Penny Vaea lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



Penny Vaea - November 19, 2013 at 01:41 PM



“ Auntie Salu holds a special place in my heart. She is the example of charity as she always welcomed me into her home with open arms. Auntie showed love to all us kids as if we were her own. I'm so grateful to have known this wonderful woman. My love & sincere aloha to my Laumatia family.

Fara-Mone Akhay - November 19, 2013 at 12:31 PM



“ She had lovely soul she spoke to everyone making sure everyone was good when her bro Bishop Laumatia were the host i miss her so much I can't believe she's gone all I know is The Lord needs her and Bishop and children will see her the time I had with I shall always cherish love you Salu may you rest in peace

Marie Maiava - November 19, 2013 at 12:28 PM



“ When my oldest daughter was 14 days old (she is 31 now) we flew to HAWAII to rescue Ruta Sione who was hung up in immigration on her way to Cali to be our nanny, Flying with a baby fourteen days old might have been a challenge but we met with amazing hospitality when hosted by Vai, Salu and the rest of the Laumatia clan. Meeting Salu brought an instant appreciation of the sweet, gentle spirit that she was. Devoted wife and mother, always ready to welcome another into her household and her heart. In the long times that passed when we met each other again, the same alofa and genuine smile and warm hugs always awaited. Your passing dealt us hear on earth a blow, but Heavenly Father and the angels are rejoicing with their new addition. Watch over us dear Salu and know that you are loved and missed.

Sherri Tagaloa - November 19, 2013 at 12:08 PM



“ I would like to send my condolences to my dear friend, Vaiopaa Laumatia and his children for the sad and difficult time you must be going through due to the loss of Salu. I always remember Salu as a quiet and humble soul. I was there in BYU Hawaii when you two were just a new couple and I knew you had made a great choice. She was definitely the wind beneath your wings Vai. I know what a loss this must be, but the plan of salvation is already in place for you and Salu which is the most valuable treasure you have. The blessing of eternal marriage. Stay strong and God bless you.

Albert Ainuu - November 19, 2013 at 11:27 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Vai, Salu and Deelicious. 2013



Albert Ainuu - November 19, 2013 at 11:20 AM



“ It is so difficult to lose the one you love anytime but even more so this time of year. Our hearts and prayers are with you that you may gain peace in your memories of her love.

Toni Lua

toni lua - November 19, 2013 at 09:49 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Salu was a lovely, lovely lady. I'm so sorry we will be unable to attend the funeral. May you find some measure of peace. Aloha and alofa.
-- Lucky and Janet Fonoimoana

Janet Fonoimoana - November 19, 2013 at 08:53 AM



“ Norma Jennings lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



Norma Jennings - November 19, 2013 at 08:44 AM



“ Thank you for always making me smile... Thank you for always caring about my kids.. Thank you for always making sure I found my way around our chapel... hahaha I will miss you asking me "are u lost??" hahaha My mother sends her love.. Thank you for being you... Love you Sis Laumatia.. ma ia manuia lou malaga...

Norma Jennings - November 19, 2013 at 08:43 AM



“ I 1st met Salu was Zumba also introduced to her by my best friend Crystal Ainuu. She has a caring & Loving heart. Sad that she's gone but happy she's in a safe place :) love you dear Aunty Salu

Natasha - November 19, 2013 at 12:39 AM



“ Salema Sjoberg lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



salema sjoberg - November 18, 2013 at 11:25 PM



“ Salu was and has always been like a Mother to me and my children. Her humble ways and teachings by example will always be instilled in our hearts. We love you Salu, I promise one day we will meet again...

Mary Faasulu - November 18, 2013 at 11:12 PM



“ Salu always made me feel like part of the family, such a Christlike feeling that shined from her .. She practiced let the children come unto me.. I know she has touched many life's especially if she was able to pull me out of dark corners with her light. Much love much hugs Camille

camille - November 18, 2013 at 10:15 PM



“ Camille lit a candle in memory of Salu Hakila Tuia Laumatia



camille - November 18, 2013 at 10:13 PM



“ R.I.L. Salu Laumatia



Sita P. Apau Tui - November 18, 2013 at 10:10 PM



“ Thank You Salu for always making me and my kids a part of your family. i met Salu 2007 when I wasn't a member of the LDS church and Salu & her husband always make sure that me & my kids are ok. Until the day We got baptized.. My kids told me, Our booth " the festival won't be the same without Unty Salu.. *tears* that's how much she cares.. She's always invites me to come share a booth with her just so I can make some money to help us out.. There's so many memories of Salu that I have.. But I won't be able to share it all. I will remember it in my heart. thank you Salu for everything you've done for me & my kids. RIP till we meet again!! ;)

joanne Sa'u - November 19, 2013 at 02:41 PM