



Vilisoni Angilau

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Vilisoni Angilau was born August 7, 1932 in Tatakamotonga, Tonga to Mele Eleni Tupou and Tohikoula Angilau. His parents adopted Siuele Angilau, and it wasn't until 8 years later that they sought a blessing from a general authority desiring to have children. Vilisoni was born to them and was the oldest of 8 more children. Vilisoni, Tevita, Pungatoa, Noma, Meliame, Lineti, Tonga, and Tevita. He is preceded in death by his loving parents and Tevita, Noma and Tonga. Vilisoni's grandfather was the first member of the church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in his Village of Tatakamotonga. His Mother was the first eight year old baprtism in Tonga, so he grew up a devout member of the LDS faith. He attended Atele and Liahona before serving an LDS mission. In 1950 at the young age of 17, Vilisoni was called to serve a LDS mission. He was in one of the first small group of single missionaries called on a mission in Tonga. His first companion was Mapa Vaenuku, a married Elder, who left his family behind to serve. In 1953 he was released, and he proceeded to serve in various service capacities for the church. He volunteered to help construct Liahona High School, church schools of Tonga and church buildings specifically Vaini and Mu'a. In 1956 he met and married the love of his life, Siulolovao Tuifua also from Tatakamotonga. Together they had 9 healthy beautiful children namely Siale, Moeakiola, Tenney, NormaRose, TupouAhau, Melevea, Vilisoni Tohikoula, Penisimani, and Filimone. During the first decade as a couple, they decided to serve three more missions. They were called to be Branch President at Pelehake, Holonga Vava'u, Lulunga Ha'apai Group. Shortly after returning from their missions, his sister Noma (Tuifula) Kuma, sent for Vilisoni, his brothers and sisters and their families. Everyone in the Angilau Family received green cards and moved to the United States mainly to enter the temple and to seek education for their children. In 1972, Vilisoni moved his family from Hawaii to Utah. Later, he had a desire to take his children to Tonga to attend Liahona and serve missions. He was able to do that and instill in his children the importance of gaining an testimony and appreciating church schools and their Tongan culture. Later in life he became Branch President and a Bishop, In 1985 he was ordained by an Apostle James E Faust to be a temple sealer. Vilisoni's grandfather had given acres of land to the LDS church in Tonga, Filimone's land was called Haukinima, as he was educated and a renowned Minister in the Wesleyan Church. After he converted, his home was called Tuhulu Ihe Mo'oni for his

conversion to the LDS faith. Vilisoni is preceded by his loving wife, Siulolovao and is survived by all nine of his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren