



Daniel Iona Fei Lou Lan Ting

June 27, 1961 - March 21, 2024

Daniel Iona Fei LouLanTing, 62, passed away on March 21st, 2024, in KPC Promise Hospital of Salt Lake. He was born June 27th, 1961, in Apia, Samoa to Iona Paivao LouLanTing and Mulifusi Fetui Tuvalu LouLanTing. He married Melanie Lautoa. They were civilly married in Carson, California on August 12th, 1990. Then they were married and sealed for all time and eternity in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Los Angeles Temple on April 3rd, 1992.

Daniel Loulanting was the 6th child of 10 children to Iona and Mulifusi Loulanting. Daniel spent his early years being raised in Samoa, in the island of Upolu, in the town of Tulaele. Daniel would talk about his upbringing as being a type of a jokester. He would be up to no good and do many mischievous things with his friends and brothers. He would continue this way until the moment he made, as he would state one of the most important decisions of his life, and that was to serve a full time mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Daniel would say that this decision alone was the beginning of becoming the man that he wanted to be. After serving a 3 year mission, Daniel had the desire to live in the United States for an opportunity to better himself. At the age of 25, Daniel left Samoa to go to the United States. He traveled and lived in many places from Missouri, to San Francisco and eventually down to Los Angeles, California. Along his travels Daniel came across many new found friends and family that had loved him. In

the late 80s, Daniel had found himself living in Los Angeles, California where he met the love of his life, Melanie Lautoa. They dated until they were civilly married on August 12, 1990 in the Carson, California Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints chapel. Then they were sealed for all time and eternity in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Los Angeles Temple on April 3rd, 1992. Daniel would say that marrying Melanie was one of the best decisions he ever made. As their marriage went on, Daniel and Melanie moved to Long Beach, California where they decided that it was time to start a family. In September of 1993 their first born arrived and was named Given, then Charles came along in 1995, then lastly the baby of the family Bruce in 1998. According to Daniel, being a husband was one of the best decisions he ever made, but being a father to Daniel was the greatest calling in his life. Daniel viewed his beautiful wife and handsome boys, his family, his greatest blessing that Heavenly Father had blessed him with. He soon departed Long Beach, California with his family to Utah in 2004. There in Utah, Daniel would remain with his family until his passing. Throughout his time in Utah, Daniel would continue to strive to be the best husband and father he could be. He would also strive to be the best disciple of Jesus Christ he could be by magnifying and fulfilling his callings to the best of his abilities in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Daniel believed to put God first then all would fall into place. Daniel's faith and testimony was shown through his example as he lived his life to the fullest. Not only was Daniel a son, a brother, an uncle, a husband, a father, a man of God, he was also a man for his people, the Samoan people. Throughout Daniel's life, he pursued to understand and learn the Fa'a Samoa (the way of Samoa). Daniel believed himself to be a servant to his people, he felt it was his duty and calling to help all those who wanted to understand and learn the beauty and deep roots of the Samoan culture. Daniel was a Matai (chief) in the Samoan culture and has many titles in the culture, which are Fiso, Leifi, Falesiuono, Tuimafuiva, and Leasiolagi. Daniel through and through was a student, a student of life, a student of his culture and a student of God. Life is the sum of all the decisions

you ever made and Daniel would tell you that he had made some pretty great decisions and therefore his life was pretty great.

Survived by: Melanie Loulanting (wife), Given Loulanting (son), Charles Loulanting (son), Bruce Loulanting (son), John Ulu Smith (nephew), Tofa Lupo (sister), Enoka Loulanting (brother), Lili Faapoi (sister), Tau Loulanting (brother), Pepe Tanumleu Sulusi (sister), Ualeni Loulanting (brother), Alema Loulanting (brother) and, Iona Saito Loulanting (brother).

Preceded in death by: Iona Loulanting (father), Mulifusi Fetui Loulanting (mother), Pulese Loulanting (brother), Mose Loulanting (brother), Michael Loulanting (nephew), Raymond Loulanting (nephew), and Tommy Loulanting (nephew).

Service Info: Friday, April 12th, 2024, Family Service. Saturday, April 13th, 2024, Bishop Service and Burial Service.

Thanks to all those who knew Daniel Loulanting in this lifetime. Daniel treasured all those who he was able to live, laugh, love and cry with. Much Alofas to you all!

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Previous Events

Family Service

APR **12**. 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM (MT)

Heritage 11th Ward
7336 S 3200 W
West Jordan, UT

Family Viewing

APR **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

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7336 S 3200 W
West Jordan, UT

Bishops Service

APR **13**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

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West Jordan, UT

Burial

APR **13**. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (MT)

West Jordan City Cemetery
7925 S 1300 W,
West Jordan, UT

Tribute Wall



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