



## Kenneth Kalehua Kauwe Sr

June 27, 1945 - June 14, 2025

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With profound gratitude and quiet humility, we honor the life of Kenneth Kalehua Kauwe, Sr., who peacefully returned to his heavenly home on June 14, 2025. Born on June 27, 1945, in Pahala, Hawaii, to Joseph Kahale'ohu Kauwe, Sr., and Mary Keli'inohopali Kekoa Kauwe, Kenneth lived a life devoted to faith, family, and service, touching the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing him.

After graduating from Ka'u High School, Kenneth was drafted into the United States Army, serving as a Private First Class (PFC) with expertise in Special Weapons. He was assigned to the 2-87th Infantry Regiment during the Vietnam War.

Upon returning home, Kenneth embraced another opportunity to serve, gladly accepting the call to be a full-time missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Southwest Indian Mission. Serving among the Native American communities he cherished was one of the most treasured experiences of his life.

Kenneth's life was defined by service, protection, and unwavering commitment to those around him. As a police officer, adult probation and parole officer, maintenance worker, and psychiatric technician, he devoted himself to ensuring the safety, well-being, and stability of his community. His work was never just a career—it reflected his deep compassion and sense of duty.

Even after retiring, Kenneth's heart for service never faded. For the last 17 years, he poured his time and energy into lifting, guiding, and offering friendship as a Senior Companion, providing comfort and connection to those who needed it most. Kenneth's life was not defined by titles but by the countless lives he touched—with kindness, wisdom, and an enduring spirit of ALOHA.

Kenneth's testimony of the Savior was the quiet strength of his life, expressed not in words but in his detailed artwork, humble service, unwavering faith, and daily acts of kindness. As a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he served selflessly in many callings, never seeking recognition but always giving his heart. His legacy is one of love, compassion, and Christlike devotion—a life truly dedicated to the Lord.

Leaving behind a legacy of faith, devotion, and service, Kenneth is survived by his beloved brother, Stewart (Sallee) Kauwe, and his eight children: Kenneth K. Kauwe, Jr., Sheldon (Allyson) Kauwe, Justin (Darling) Kauwe, Adonica (Nuumativa) Tuitama, Leila Kauwe, Anela (Tivis) Lawrence, Joseph Kauwe, and Malia (Zach) Oyler. He also leaves behind 20 grand-jewels, 5 great grand-jewels, and many cherished cousins, nieces, and nephews. His passing is felt deeply by all, but we find comfort in the eternal truth that families are forever. Aloha 'Oe, until we meet again.

A celebration of Kenneth's life will take place on Tuesday, June 24 at 11am at the Pleasant Grove 9th Ward, 455 E 200 S, Pleasant Grove, Utah. A viewing will take place prior, from 9AM to 10:30AM at the same location. He will be laid to rest at the Utah State Veterans Memorial Park at 17111 South Camp Williams Road, Bluffdale, Utah.

In lieu of flowers, Kenneth humbly requested for donations to be made towards the mission funds of his grandkids. Your generous gift can be made at:

Venmo; ALLYSON KAUWE @akauwe

# Cemetery Details

## Utah Veterans Cemetery & Memorial Park

17111 1700 West (Redwood Rd),  
Bluffdale, UT 84065

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUN 24. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Pleasant Grove 9th Ward  
455 E 200 S  
Pleasant Grove, UT

## Funeral Service

JUN 24. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Pleasant Grove 9th Ward  
455 E 200 S  
Pleasant Grove, UT

## Graveside Service

JUN 24. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

Utah Veterans Cemetery & Memorial Park  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Growing up Uncle as well as four of his younger siblings lived with us and his older sister Janet  
Mom was widowed with 6 children to raise. Uncle was instrumental in our lives and helped to instill gospel principles in our young minds. His work of sharing the gospel will continue in the next life. Aloha Oe, Uncle Kenneth, until we meet again .

Much love. Ona

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Leona L Help - June 24, 2025 at 10:46 AM

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Camille Bone - June 23, 2025 at 11:40 AM

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“ I really enjoyed getting to know Ken in the past few years after he moved into my neighborhood. I really appreciated the good he was trying to do in his later years. He also helped me shared a lot of things with me about the things he regretted that helped me see some areas in my life that I wanted to seek forgiveness and healing before the years got away from me. Thanks Ken.

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Adam Wills - June 20, 2025 at 12:57 PM



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**Serenity Funeral Home** - June 18, 2025 at 07:45 PM