



Mele Ikatonga Fonua 'Olive

September 17, 1929 - August 27, 2019

Mele Ikatonga "Ika" Fonua 'Olive, 89 years old, passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, August 27, 2019, in Taylorsville, UT. She was born on September 17, 1929, in Houma, Tonga, to Militoni Fonua and Mele Talanoa Vaka. She married Sione Fekeila 'Olive (Tatakamotonga, Mu'a) on November 2, 1950. She was a devout member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. She served in various callings such as Relief Society president, teacher and full time missionary.

Ika is survived by her sister, Pianola Mapu and brothers Sisi Lomu and Paula Haungatau. Her legacy will live on through her children: Latu (Linda) Lao, Anitimoni (Lovely), Ungatea, Eliesa (Mele), Taniela (Marilou), Sola (Frank Fau'olo), Makeleta (Ioane Mapu), David Piu, Ofa (Talalua) and Jeffrey (Laina). She will be missed by a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren who loved and adored her.

She was preceded in death by her eternal companion, sons Lotoa (Setaita) and Tevita Piukana and her daughter, Matelita Mafi, along many other loved ones who, we trust, welcomed her with smiles and warm embraces.

Ika was immensely proud of her family. She loved them and always offered them the best that she had. She was never afraid to remind her posterity of the things they should be doing. She acted with quiet dignity, always. We will

miss her keke, topai and puteni. Above all else, we will miss her presence.

A family viewing and gathering will be held on Saturday, August 31, 2019, from 8:00am - 10:30am at the Salt Lake Utah West Tongan Stake Center (3300 South 4440 West, West Valley, UT, 84120). The Bishop's Service will begin at 12:00 pm. The burial will take place at 2:00 pm at the Redwood Memorial Estates Cemetery (6500 South Redwood Rd., Salt Lake City, UT, 84123).

We are grateful to the many aides, nurses and doctors who helped care for our mother. We are grateful, especially, to Maile Tavake and "Angels Crossing Hospice Services" for their love and support. Thank you, Serenity Funeral Home, for your service at this most difficult time.

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG **31**. 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Salt Lake Utah West Tongan Stake Center
3300 S 4440 W
West Valley City, UT 84120

Bishops Service

AUG **31**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mele Ikatonga Fonua 'Olive*

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“ *I miss you Granmda.. I still wish I could walk downstairs and see you with Aunty Lita reading your scriptures. I miss the big bowls of saimini you used to make when we came over to your house. I miss you walking around and Tiger would follow you everywhere. Grandma, I'm at peace knowing Aunty Lita has you in her presence again.. I know she missed you. I'm about to start my mission on the 22nd of August.. and I leave to the MTC on the 31st. I wish you & Aunty Lita could make it to me n Kales farwell. Ofa lahi atu Grandma.. thank you for helping my parents raise us.*

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“ *Farewell to my beautiful aunty Ikatonga ... we will miss you and your beautiful smile and loving heart...my 'ofa lahi ki ho fofonga 'ofa 'ikai ke ngalo ha taimi...I know my mom will be among the families welcoming you on the other side..'ofa atu ki he fanau mo e family kotoa..Liu, .Noreen Lavulo Hopokingi and family ..*

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