



Semi Suguturaga Qoro

December 27, 1985 - August 30, 2025

Semi Suguturaga Qoro, a humble son, a loving eternal companion, a beloved father, a twin to one and a brother to all departed in power on August 30, 2025 after delivering an unparalleled musical performance at the Polynesian Days festival in Lehi, Utah.

Semi was born in Honolulu, Hawaii on December 27, 1985. He along with his twin brother, the late Jona Jr, were born to their parents, Jona Qoro Sr and Adi Unaisi Mitimiti Lewenilovo.

Semi lost his father at a young age and was blessed to be raised by his bonus Dad, the late Vilikesa Bolabasaga. Although he did much of his life and music with his twin, he chose to compose the lyrics of his eternities with his beautiful eternal companion, Katinia Jeanette Mataele, and their oldest daughter Teihirangi on December 12, 2009 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Semi is truly a child of the South Pacific. A son of the republic of Fiji, hailing from Nuku-i-rewa with maternal links to Somosomo, Taveuni. While he spent a few years in Fiji, he called Hawai'i home but created music that rooted him across the Pacific Ocean.

Semi was raised in part by his mother's younger brother Ratu Joji and Aunty

Luse Lewenilovo. He attended Laie and Hauula Elementary schools as a child as well as LDS Primary in Fiji. He graduated from Kaimuki High School with the class of 2005.

His love for music began as a child due to growing up around his uncles and musical icons the late Sakiusa Bulicokocoko and George Brooks "F1J1" Veikoso. His talent was often shared on stages such as church choirs, brown bags to stardom, school talent shows and even in doors of Cold Stone Creamery, whether you left him a tip or not! He was born to shine and entertain.

As a child in Laie, Hawaii he performed as a dancer in the keiki fashion show at the Polynesian Cultural Center alongside peers, cousins and even beloved grandparents.

Following high school Semi was called to and labored in the fields of the Santo Domingo East Dominican Republic Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints from 2006-2008. Upon returning from his mission, together with his twin brother, Semi relocated to Utah, where they worked with family in oil fields and also formed their band, Na Drua, and Semi and Nia started their family.

He was a chemical salesman by trade and worked tirelessly at it to provide for his family. His passion and love for music was what connected him to people from all walks of life, along with his Mr Aloha attitude. Semi served as a coach, a mentor and member of his current Bishopric.

He is survived by and will continue to live on through the gracefulness of his wife Katinia, the gentle loving nature of Teihirangi, the determination Adi Unaisi Aiyana, Kauasi's passionate heart, Elissa's charismatic ways, Kaito's tenderness and Quincy's hugs. Gone from them for a short while but sealed for all eternity.

He is also survived by 4 brothers Ratu Jone, Henry, Jeremaia "Jerry" and Isikeli.

He is preceded in death by his Mother Adi Unaisi Mitimiti, Father Jona Qoro Sr, and Earthly Father Vilikesa Bolabasaga, sisters Litiana and Bale, and the melody to his harmony, his twin brother Jona.

Semi's celebration of life will be held in Lehi, Utah on Thursday September 11, 2025. Public Viewing will begin at 9am followed by a Bishops service at 12pm. He will be laid to rest in the Lehi City Cemetery following all services.

We thank all who have come to the aid and support of Semi's wife and children during this most trying time.

Your prayers are felt and your love for the Qoro's will never be forgotten.

Thursday September 11, 2022

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

4679 West 11000 North

Highland, Utah 84903

Public Viewing; 9am

Bishops Service: 12pm

Lehi City Cemetery
1525 North 600 East
Lehi, Utah 84043

Cemetery Details

Lehi City Cemetery

1525 N 600 E,
Lehi, UT

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP 11. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (MT)

Highland chapel
4679 West 11000 North
Highland, UT 84003

Bishops Service

SEP 11. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (MT)

Highland chapel
4679 West 11000 North
Highland, UT 84003

Burial

SEP 11. 1:30 PM (MT)

Lehi City Cemetery
1525 N 600 E,
Lehi, UT

Tribute Wall



“ *Semi was my trainee in the mission. Was full of heart and love. He was always so careful and sensitive to those around him.*

We had an FHE night with the missionaries in our house and he taught us about Charity and praying with all our hearts for Charity. It struck hard because he had perceived what we really needed. I prayed deeply that night and the next day that I might have it. Soon thereafter I discovered the blessings that followed and they greatly upgraded my mission.

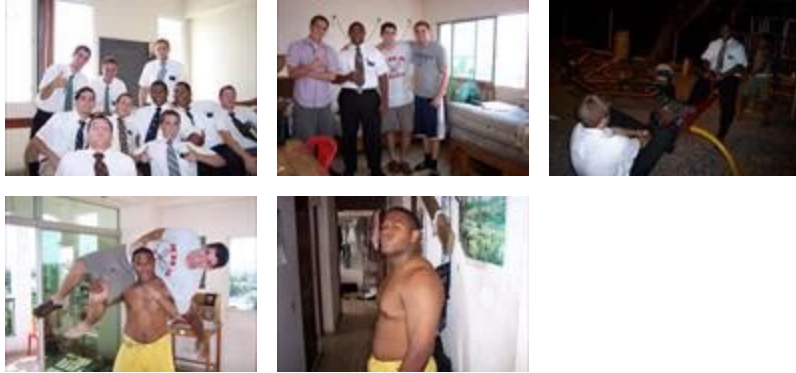
Semi, you're a superstar. Love you my brother!



Stefan Wood - September 11, 2025 at 02:26 PM



“ Semi brought so much light and joy into my life during my mission, especially during the time we lived together. When I was brand new—still adjusting to a foreign country and learning a new language—he helped make everything feel easier and brighter. I will always remember his laugh and the genuine way he cared for everyone around him.



Tyler Washburn - September 10, 2025 at 10:20 AM

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“ Semi was a dear friend. When my son decided to join the LDS Church he found the mentoring of Semi to be the best. You will be missed till we meet again.



Sabrina Deppe - September 08, 2025 at 02:04 PM