



Takuilau Akesa Wolfgramm Vaiomo'unga

April 5, 1978 - September 27, 2025

Takuilau Akesa Wolfgramm Vaiomo'unga, 47, beloved mother, wife, sister, aunt, cousin and friend, passed away at IMC Hospital on the evening of Saturday, September 27, 2025, after a long battle with Familial TAAD (Thoracic Aortic Aneurysm and Aortic Dissection), a genetic disorder which causes the aorta to be weak, often resulting in aneurysms or tears.

Takuilau was born in Neiafu, Vava'u, Tonga, at the Prince Wellington Ngu Hospital on April 5th, 1978, to the late Efalame Karl Frederick and Mele Seini Wolfgramm, the first of their children to be born in Tonga, and the fifth of seven children. She spent her childhood briefly in Kameli, Vava'u, and later migrated to the USA in 1984 where she eventually became a proud citizen and spent the remainder of her life.

In 2009, she married Lionel (Nolo) Vaiomo'unga, and in 2011, she gave birth to Heilala Alaha 'I Moana Manamo'ui Vaiomo'unga. She delivered Heilala and underwent an open-heart surgery to repair a dissected aorta (the first of several open-heart surgeries)—all within the duration of 18 hours. It was truly a miracle and a blessing they both survived the ordeal. In 2013, her family was sealed in the Salt Lake City, Utah LDS Temple for time and all eternity.

Much like her father, Takuilau is known for her infectious, loud and boisterous laughter. She was also known for her beautiful smile and thick, curly hair. She

enjoyed spending time with her nieces and nephews, who she doted on freely but also wouldn't hesitate to whoop them in a game of cards. She was a dedicated wife, daughter, sister and aunt who was always at the forefront of many family occasions ready to serve; she gave freely of her time and resources. Prior to her diagnosis, you could often find her in the gym working out or engaged in different types of outdoor physical activities. She loved spending time with her closest friends when her health would permit. Her greatest love was her daughter, her miracle baby, Heilala. Heilala was her pride and joy, her reason for living, her everything. After several operations and understanding the seriousness of her condition, she dedicated the remainder of her life in creating enduring memories with Heilala and Nolo, the love of her life. Their love was theirs and theirs alone. Banter and pet names was their love language as well as going out for dinner and they always included Heilala. She spoke fondly of Nolo, especially in her later years and always had him and Heilala on her mind. She loved the gospel of Jesus Christ, had a firm testimony and always made sure to keep that in her home. Her beautiful soul radiated from the inside out and we were the lucky recipients of that beauty.

Takuilau was preceded in death by her father, Efalame, her paternal grandparents, Alama Leaine Toamotu and Viola Wolfgramm, her maternal grandparents, Tevita Huni and Maopa Fifita, Aunties Ofa Aiono and Viola Brunt, Uncle Sione Selupe Fifita, cousin Mafi Seini Uipi, and cousin Mosese Wolfgramm.

She is survived by her husband Lionel, daughter Heilala, mother Mele Seini (Vikita), her siblings Karl (Mele), Richard, Tony (Doris), Atiloa (Kengike), Viola (Ilaisa) and Hlamani, many nephews and nieces, two grand-nephews, and many cousins who will never forget the love and joy she brought to their lives.

We wish to thank Dr. John R. Doty, his team, the dedicated nurses and aides

on the Thoracic ICU floor in the J.L. Sorenson Heart and Lung Center at IMC, for the many years of top quality care for Takuilau.

A family service will be held on Monday, October 6th, 2025, 9:00 am at the LDS Chapel located at 6710 S 1300 E, Midvale, followed by the Bishop's Program at 12:00 pm. Burial will be held at 1:30 pm at the Crescent Cemetery, 11105 S. State Street, Sandy, Utah.

Cemetery Details

Crescent Cemetery

11170 S State St.
Sandy, UT

Previous Events

Family & Friends Service

OCT 6. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints 67
6710 South 1300 East
Midvale, UT

Bishops Service

OCT 6. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (MT)

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Burial

OCT 6. 1:30 PM (MT)

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11170 S State St.
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Tribute Wall



“ Condolences to Nolo, Heilala, and the whole Wolfgramm family. This is a terrible loss. Kui was a great friend during my YSA years. She was one of the few people who was as sarcastic as me and always made me laugh. I was pretty much friends with all of the other mean people in the ward. She had a great sense of humor and quick wit. Years ago, I saw her at a funeral with her daughter, who was still a baby. They sat in front of me during the putu. Heilala was coughing the whole time, as young kids often do. The next day I started feeling sick, so I messaged Kui and told her that her kid made me sick. She told me, "no, you're just sick because you have AIDS" and it wasn't her daughter's fault lol. Her laugh was infectious and loud. She was confident, strong, but also kind to those she liked lol. I'm grateful for having known her. RIL, Takui!

Travis Tu'ifua - October 06, 2025 at 01:04 PM



“ Condolences to the Wolfgramm & Vaio'mounga family❤️. I laugh when I think of high school at Granite High school, Home of the farmers😁. I can hear your loud laugh down the hall, your everyday lunch from 7-11 of nacho cheese in a Doritos bag. What about when me, you, Umu, and Sela went out, and I was driving on the wrong side of the street and none us knew cause we were laughing so much, until a car was coming towards us on the same side of the street🚗👩♀️. Remember when we recruited everyone we knew and didn't know to vote for Viola for cheerleading. That one time you gave me vitamins from your work to help me lose weight and it gave me a rash😭😭 I love you Kui. RIP little sister👉👉👉👉

Luseane Pututau - October 05, 2025 at 11:20 PM

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“ Ohh bestie, I can't blv I'm posting on this page about YOU. It still seems soo unreal 😭💔...

Kui was the type who always kept it real.. 20yrs of friendship and we've never had a falling out-ever, it's crazy, I know! That's why I'll always cherish it. What we had is rare and very hard to find. She had a beaming personality. When she's talking with you, she made you feel important. When she laughed, you can hear it 200miles way 😊 iykyk.. And when Kui loved, she did it wholeheartedly ❤️☐

Bestie, Thank you for being the most amazing, loyal, humorous, fun-loving friend. Thank you for all the wonderful memories that I'll never forget. Thank you for your beautiful miracle babygirl, Lalabunz and I promise to be part of the village that'll be here for her. I'm grateful to still have a part of you here w/us. I love you & Will miss you tremendously. Til we meet again. Rest well my dearest friend.
😭💔



Losa L. (Bestie) - October 03, 2025 at 01:55 AM

RS

“Goshhh, where do I start? When I don't even know where to begin. Trying to narrow down so many wonderful memories with Kui into one shareable one is harder than I thought. Kui & my older Sister Losa became BFFs over 20 years ago when we moved to Utah from Reno, NV. Kui attended so many of our family events and us hers throughout the years. She was not only a FRIEND, but became a Sister to us. She was the BEST gym buddy/trainer. She had the Loudest laughter that lit up any room. The most Beautiful big curly hair I've ever seen. She was very strong spiritually & physically. When Kui first found out she was pregnant, it was the happiest moment in her life. It was her determination to be the BEST Momma to her miracle Lala that kept her going each day. Our lives have definitely been changed & blessed forever because we met Kui 20 + years ago. Until that glorious morning Sis., save us seats to continue our unplanned adventures together! Take your rest now. Love & Miss you sooo much. 🥺💔❤️👉❤️👈

Deepest sympathies to you Nolo, Lala, Kui's siblings, Mom Mele and the rest of the family. 'Ofa lahi atu!



Rina L. (Fijian Sis) - October 02, 2025 at 10:13 PM

AL

“ kui was the best lead /friend anyone could have asked for. hearing the news broke me. ill forever miss working with her, sharing laughs and joking together at work. she had a way to make anyone laugh or smile having a bad day. she was always willing to help and teach you on anything you needed help with. I send condolences to the family and all that love Kui. rest in peace kui <3



allie - October 02, 2025 at 12:38 PM

RW

“ I met Kui in 97 or 98 at Dixie College because her brother Tony was multi football team mate . I'm from Cali(South L.A) so I didn't watch many Disney movies so Kui decided to show a few and the first one was the movie “Hercules” and through the movie all I could hear and see was her laugh and frizzy hair bouncing everywhere. So I told “ wow wish I could the movie without side busting interference” 🙄 so she told me “we'll close your ears if you don't want to hear my beautiful laugh” and she laughed louder. So after going back forth baggin on each other we became good friends because she was the girl version of me. So also wrote on my mission to and me some good advice when facing some adversity. To my loud frizzy haired homie. Till we meet again home girl☐☐☐



Robert Magalogo(Big Worm) - October 02, 2025 at 12:15 PM

PR

“ it was very heart breaking to hear this sad news we work together, and she was just helping me as always lol kui was always happy ready to help and joke around such a sweet person rest peacefully QUEEN sending prayers of strength to your family especially your children and husband I pray god gives them all the strength and comfort they need in this trying time may god keep this family covered with a good support system in Jesus name amen

princess - October 01, 2025 at 08:17 PM

WE

“ I had the amazing opportunity to work with Kui, she was always so kind, willing to help and would always make me laugh. I send condolences to the family and all that love Kui. She truly made a lasting impact in my life and I will miss her. Rest in Love Kui.....until
-Wendell



Wendell - October 01, 2025 at 06:09 PM

LA

“ What a beautiful written tribute. Sending our condolences and love to all of you. Kui absolutely had the most contagious and loud laugh that you could never ignore. I always told her I wanted her hair and she would say “blame your palangi side” and fall out LOL. Love all of you.
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Leinati Aiono Allen - October 01, 2025 at 03:17 PM

RW

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Richard Wolfgramm - October 01, 2025 at 11:43 AM

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Leinati Aiono Allen - October 01, 2025 at 03:16 PM

KV

“ What a beautiful tribute to a beautiful sister, this brought tears to my eyes!

A favorite memory of mine is when Kui and Tony came to Hawaii when Mosa and I were first married and stayed with us some of the time in TVA. I remember thinking at the time that Kui was really beautiful...that perfect big, white smile and fun laugh, gorgeous skin and hair, and just the sweetest, most gracious personality!

Years later, at she and Nolo's wedding reception, I kept noticing how rather than sitting the whole time by her groom, in-between the dances, speeches, etc, she was up occasionally working the room, hugging and greeting, thanking people for being there, laughing and spreading her aloha. Takui was blessed with great outer-beauty, but what made her truly beautiful was how she radiated from within.

We only saw Kui and her family occasionally on various occasions over the years, but she was always so sweet to hug us and engage in conversation as if we saw each other much more than that.

We are sad we won't see her again in this life, but can only smile when thinking of the joyful reunion with her Dad and so many others! I'm sure there is much more fun laughter in heaven now!

Kathy and Mosa Vuki - October 01, 2025 at 10:38 AM

HW

“ I love you Kui! 💕

Heleine Wolfgramm - October 01, 2025 at 10:32 AM

RW

“ I love you 🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹💕💕💕💕💕💕💕💕💕💕



Richard Wolfgramm - October 01, 2025 at 08:57 AM

KW

I miss you everyday Kui. We will look after Poko for you. I'm a broken man 🥀🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹🥹

Karl Wolfgramm - October 01, 2025 at 09:23 AM

NT

My prayers for the family Karl. It is so hard to lose a sibling. I can honestly say I was so lost when I lost mines. Sending a lot of prayers of comfort at this time. Alofa atu! 🕊️💔

Nive Tokotaha - October 01, 2025 at 09:49 AM

MM

Beautiful Takui. Always smiling and kind hearted. Rest in peace and you are called back cause your mission here on Earth are done and more work on the other side. My condolences to you all. Ofa atu!

Monalisa Mataele - October 01, 2025 at 10:02 AM