



Tanya Asoegataai Ripley

February 23, 1983 - January 7, 2026

On January 7, our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, and daughter, Tanya Asoegataai Ripley, passed away unexpectedly. Known lovingly as “Baby,” a name given to her by her Mum that stayed with her throughout her life, she was cherished by all who knew her.

Baby was born on February 23, 1983, in Anaheim, California. She was the youngest child of her mother, Luana Vernetta Philipoom, and the third youngest of her father, Pisa Atoa Ripley.

From a young age, Baby had a deep love for music. At just 13 years old, she began singing alongside her sisters in a group known as the Sugarhouse Queens, creating lasting memories and unforgettable performances. As a Sugarhouse Queen she shared the stage with legendary artists such as Pam Hall, Donna Marie, and many others.

In 1999, Baby became the proud mother of twin daughters, Terina and Oliveti, and later welcomed her sons, Losepeli and Shane. As a single parent with the support of her village, she embraced both roles of mother and father, working tirelessly and dedicating her life to raising and providing for her children.

Baby spent over 30 years in the restaurant industry, where she was known for her strong work ethic and leadership. She single-handedly managed and

upgraded several chained restaurants too. If you knew Baby, you knew loyalty—it was one of her defining traits.

In her final years, Baby found her greatest joy in being a grandmother. She poured endless love into her grand babies

Analina and Auliya, spoiling them and cherishing every moment spent together.

Baby's love, strength, and loyalty will forever live on in the hearts of her family, friends, and all those whose lives she touched.

Cemetery Details

Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park

3401 S Highland Drive
Salt Lake City, UT 84106

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN **22**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (MT)

Imperial 1st Ward
2738 Filmore Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84106

Viewing #2

JAN **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Imperial 1st Ward
2738 Filmore Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84106

Bishops Service

JAN **23**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

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2738 Filmore Street
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Tribute Wall

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“ my memories are endless. My bestie was *THAT* girl and *THAT* aunty. that aunty everyone felt they could be themselves around. the biggest comedian, her jokes were top tier for me fr lol. Going through our messages we would send each other memes like we were the same age and I'm going to miss walking into a function and hearing “hiii bestieeee”. I love you forever my aunty baybe. forever.



Tariana Leka - January 26 at 02:19 PM

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“ My sister was one of a kind, loyal to the soil, the hardest worker I've known. She was so talented, yet very humble and shied away from the spotlight. Baby was my first best friend, my body guard and my favorite laughing partner. Bro I love you and I promise to always be there for the babies until that glorious day ❤️👊



Rena Vaafetu Ripley - January 25 at 12:54 AM