



## Mr. Viliami Po'ese Pupunu

January 19, 1928 - October 8, 2014

Po'ese lived a fascinating and unique life centered on his love for family. He slipped away quietly to the other side of heaven on the evening of Oct 8th, 2014. Surrounded by his eternal love of his life Seini Polini Kaihau, and his children. He entered this life to his loving parents Solomone Hala'api'api Pupunu and Moala Pau'u Taisia. He married the true love of his life Seini Polini Kaihau and they had 6 wonderful children. Viliami Po'ese Pupunu attended Tonga College in Tonga, he was an accountant to Burns Phillips Company in Tonga. He was a very talented musician playing all of woodwinds and brass instruments. He was a very respected Music Director in the islands and also here in the USA.

Po'ese possessed tremendous self-confidence and had great pride and gratitude for his wife and all of his children and grandchildren. He was the kind of guy that if you needed him - he was there. His sense of humor never left him and even in his own suffering he made others smile and laugh. We know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared his love.

He is survived by his dear wife and his children. 'Ofa Miller (Daughter) : Sons- Robert Darnell, Dallas Darnell. Granddaughter-Nikky Lee. Francis Nilson (daughter): Mark Nilson (husband)

Matthew Nilson (son) -Mckoy (great grandson)Kristy & Eric Howard (daughter/son-in-law)Cole and Brylee(great-grandchildren). Nomi Nilson(daughter). Whitney Seini Nilson/Nini (daughter). Solomone Hala'api'api Pupunu(wife)Sonya. Tapu Lalango Pupunu(wife)Peg Newman, RJ Pupunu (son) Tammi (wife) Nomi & Kingston Pupunu (grandkids) Kelsin, Nate Pupunu (sons). Jane Glenda Pupunu,Tracy Duke (husband). Alfred Soane Pupunu,Mindi Pupunu (wife) Miley, Kade, Brynnli, Kenna, Noah Pupunu (kids). Latu Siale Pupunu:  
Lose(wife)Taku- Ki-Pulota Pupunu (son)Taufa Toutai Pupunu (son)Margaret Pupunu (daughter)  
-4 grandkids. Elsie Lolohea,Kilisimasi (husband)sons: Semisi, Sione, Abraham, Siua  
daughters: Finau, Vaiola, 'Asela, Mounaga, Kilisimasi Jr. Grandkids: Semisi, Tevita.

Brothers and Sisters Likusuosua, Fifita Valuvalu, Suititi Mills, Tuituiohu. He is preceded in death by his parents and Sunia, Lui, and Uluilakepa.

Fononga aa si'emaui tamai 'ofeina, he 'ikai ke ngalo ho'o ngaahi akonaki kiate kimautolu, kae'uma'aa ho ngaahi ta sipinga ta'e fakangalongata'a.

Family viewing will be on Sunday Oct 12th, 2014 at the First Methodist Church 203 E 200 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111. 7-10pm and another family viewing on Monday Oct 13th, 2014 at the same place from 9-10, funeral service will be from 10-11am. Interment will follow after at Mountain View Memorial 3115 E Bengal Blvd.(7800 South)Cottonwood Heights, Utah.

Services are under the direction of Peni Malohifo'ou

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Estates Mountain View

3115 East 7800 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.  
Salt Lake City, UT

# Previous Events

## Family Viewing

OCT **12**. 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM (MT)

First United Methodist  
203 South 200 East  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

## Viewing

OCT **13**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (MT)

First United Methodist  
203 South 200 East  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

## Funeral Service

OCT **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

First United Methodist  
203 South 200 East  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111



# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Viliami Po'ese Pupunu*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



Whitney  
Nilson

“ *i never experienced the stern side of my grandpa, my siblings always told me once i was born he turned 'soft' :) that makes me smile. i vaguely remember him taking me on walks and wagon rides but my sister told me how he loved doing that sort of thing with me. I do remember his love of music, he sang often & with my grandma. He often told me how i need to get big and STRONG he'd grab my arms and tell me you need to get bigger so when people come and fight i can hit them and win! (as he's punching his hand) he was all about being strong, especially when it comes to family. i loved him so much & will miss him like crazy. ofa atu*

Whitney Nilson - October 15, 2014 at 02:01 PM



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“ *Viliami was a father, a friend, a brother, a musician, but most importantly, he was my grandfather who I loved dearly. I was just five minutes late to saying goodbye to him for the last time on Wednesday October 8th. I was heartbroken when I heard he was gone. It will be rough to get over his loss. Rest in peace grandpa.*

Nate Pupunu - October 12, 2014 at 12:40 AM

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“ *Peni Malohifo'ou lit a candle in memory of Mr. Viliami Po'ese Pupunu*



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**Peni Malohifo'ou** - October 11, 2014 at 11:55 PM

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“ *WILLIAM WAS A VERY STRONG MAN, BOTH PHYSICALLY AND SPIRITUALLY. I LOVED HIM DEARLY. HE WILL BE MISSED.*

*MARK*

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**MARK NILSON** - October 11, 2014 at 01:33 PM