



# Ma'aola Lam Sam Tenney

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## **Ma'aola Lam Sam Tenney**

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**M**a'aola Lam Sam Tenney of Provo, 74, died Friday January 24, 2014. She was born to the late Saili Lam Sam and Faleluaoali'i Faumuina , Aug. 19, 1939 at Alamagoto, Apia, Samoa. She grew up in a happy and loving home with her siblings: Elise, Elise, Samu, Susana, Faasootauloa Tuaepepe Sam Saili, Tuaepepe Tuigamala Matuavao Anetipa, Faumuina Levaopolo Anna Lome, Faumuina Talilino Roebeck and Litia Taale. Ma'aola attended The Church College of Western Samoa and then moved to California where she graduated from Sacramento High School and then moved to Provo and attended Brigham Young University. She was married to William Fa'asefulu Tenney on Dec 23, 1960, in the LDS Mesa Arizona temple and they lived together in Provo before relocating to Pesega, Western Samoa in 1966. Ma'aola was a high school teacher at the Church College of Western Samoa and then worked as a secretary from 1972 for the LDS church construction and retired as the secretary of the Presiding Bishopric Office in Samoa on December 1997. She has resided in Provo for the last 13 years. Ma'aola was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter- Day Saints. She served in various callings as a stake young women's president, ward primary president, primary teacher, Sunday school teacher and relief society teacher. She served a service mission at the Orem Distribution Center and the Provo Deseret Industry in the Humanitarian department. Most recently, she was a dedicated temple ordinance worker in the Provo Temple. Her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were her life. Ma'aola is survived by six of her seven children: Kathryn Levi, Anna Purcell, Katinia Aspinall, William Faasefulu Jr., Michael Anetipa, and Laura Stowers, and 36 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. A viewing will be held 9 a.m. Saturday at the stake center in Orem at 80 S and 280 E with her funeral service at 12 noon. Burial will be held at 2 p.m. at the Provo cemetery.



## Tribute Wall

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RA

**Rangi** posted:

I loved her so much and she gave that love back.

July 26 at 10:47 PM

LB

**Lawrence And Noma Bowman** posted:

To the family of Ma'aola Tenney we send our sincere condolences upon reading of her recent death. We have fond memories of Ma'aola. She is a dear beloved friend. Noma was a visiting teacher with Ma'aola, and I have a deep love for this sweet sister. We don't know all the children, but we remember our association with Katinia Aspinall and her family when they lived in the Pleasant View Third Ward. Our love and sympathy go to all the family. We will miss the smiling face of this sweet sister. Lawrence and Noma Bowman, 2030 North 500 East, Provo, UT 84604

February 4 at 7:46 AM

EC

**E. Moana Stone Coulson** posted:

I will miss you Ma'aola. You were my Bee Hive Teacher in Samoa. Lots of wonderful memories. You are an awesome example of someone to follow. In Bee Hives I remember having to memorize the song "Oh Say What is Truth is the fairest gem". We will meet again in due time. Alofa tele atu.

January 31 at 10:24 AM

IS

**Iris Slade** posted:

Ma'aola was such a gentle, kind, loving woman. I loved serving with her at the temple. I will miss her.  
--Iris Slade

January 30 at 6:28 AM

JE

**Judy Elsner** posted:

I will miss Maaola on Wednesday mornings at the Temple. She is a choice lady and friend. We are so fortunate to have known and loved her. May you be comforted at this difficult time. Thoughts and prayers, Judy Elsner

January 30 at 5:41 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Ma'aola by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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