



Mae Mele Makuakane-Kala

June 1, 2023

Mrs. Mae Mele Makuakane-Kala, 64 of Litchfield Park, Arizona passed away on June 1, 2023, in Phoenix, Arizona, after a short illness. She was born on January 21, 1959, to David Rodrigues and Mae Mele Makuakane in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Mae was the beloved matriarch of our family. Her remarkable life brought joy, comfort, and guidance to countless souls.

She is survived by her husband, James (Jim) Nye; her daughter, Loleina Santiago; her son, Dante Murillo; her sisters, Jolene Makuakane, and Davina Urrutia; her brothers, Wayne Rodrigues, and Eddie Rodrigues, as well as her 2 grandchildren, Alana Santiago, and Donovan Jones

She was preceded in death by her grandson, Damien Lewis.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in Kailua Kona, Hawaii. Her ashes will be spread in the water at Kailua Kona, Hawaii upon Mae's request.

The family suggests that donations be made to SOS Appalachian Mission:
104 Island Palms Drive, Carolina Beach, NC 28428

Tribute Wall

PR

“ My deepest sympathies to the family. I loved Mae like family. She had the kindest heart and most giving nature. The love she showed to her family and friends was endless. The loss of her will leave such a tremendous hole in my life. Sending all my love and prayers during this difficult time

Paula Ready - June 13, 2023 at 08:55 PM

TJ

“ Jim,I am so sorry for the loss of Mae. She was such a joy to work with and we all have fond memories of her. Mae had that beautiful smile and joyful positive attitude unlike anyone I've ever met. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Teresa Johnson - June 13, 2023 at 07:36 PM

CO

“ I miss her! I wish I could see her again, need to wait until Heaven. Mae always made you feel welcome, her soul was filled with love, a rare heart, always made sure you felt comfortable and cared so much. Mae always made you feel special, her charm and laughter I miss so much, but she's not forgotten. Her heart and generous attitude is inspiring. If we all loved like Mae, this world would be so much richer.Love you Mae, Love you Jim,

Cazier Alexander Oberhansly - June 13, 2023 at 12:02 AM

DA

“ In loving memory of our dear cousin Mae, who touched our lives in countless ways. Mae was not only a cherished family member, but also a dear friend. We shared countless joyful moments together, from cooking delightful meals side by side to engaging in heartfelt conversations that stretched into the late hours. Mae’s vibrant spirit extended to the water, where we would swim together, creating memories that will forever be treasured. Her home was a sanctuary of warmth and love, always open to us with open arms. Mae’s unwavering support for my son and me was a testament to her boundless kindness and nurturing nature. Throughout the day, we were blessed to receive Mae’s loving messages, each one a reminder of her enduring affection and thoughtfulness. Though her physical presence may no longer be with us, her spirit will live on in our hearts, forever etched in the tapestry of our lives. Mae, you will be deeply missed, but your memory will forever shine bright. Rest in peace, dear cousin, knowing that you made an indelible impact on our lives and that your love will be carried with us always.

Dana - June 12, 2023 at 09:04 PM

BH

“ Our sincere condolences for the loss of a wonderful soul! Your family is in our prayers.

Barbara Heckerman - June 12, 2023 at 08:57 PM

KN

“ Jim, So sorry to hear about your wife’s passing. My deepest sympathy and prayers are extended to you.

Ken Johnson, USS Nitro - June 12, 2023 at 07:26 PM

GC

“ Jim, The sudden loss of a loved one will take time to heal. Lean on your friends and family to help you through this difficult time. Everyone that knew Mae will miss her and her wonderful smile. We are here for you, don't hesitate to call your friends of 40 years if you need anything or just want to talk.

Gary & Carol - June 12, 2023 at 06:17 PM

FZ

“ E ho'omālielie i kou kaumaha Aunty Mae will be greatly missed her story, laugh and her cooking her chicken pearls were da bomb! She was a awesome person!

Frank Zepeda - June 12, 2023 at 05:11 PM

BP

“ Mae was a blessing to all who knew her. She spread joy and love everywhere and she will be greatly missed. We send our love to all her family and loved ones.

Bess and Phil - June 12, 2023 at 05:02 PM

RO

“ My heart is so broken to lose May , so suddenly. I still am getting to realize that I just can't pick up the phone and call her. The sadness isn't even able to be expressed. Such a wonderful beautiful soul in Mae . Always loving and a great big smile , hug , how you doing. My heart has you in my prayers and we're with you in your grief. She truly touched everyone in my family with her big heart of love and generosity. Big hug love you Jim and family. ❤️

Renea oberhansly - June 12, 2023 at 04:51 PM

GG

“ Was so happy to finally meet Dante’s mama at his wedding to Robyn. She was a delight with that beautiful smile. Wish I could have known her better. My Condolences to all. Love you Dante💔

Georgianna Gonzales - June 12, 2023 at 03:38 PM

DH

“ I am so very sorry for you and your families great loss.. I worked with her a Lowes.. such a good and kind lady.. she will be missed by all that knew and loved her.

Dana Hughes - June 12, 2023 at 02:07 PM

AK

“ Jim, please accept my deepest condolences for the loss of Mrs. Makuakane – Kala. Thank you for entrusting Simply Cremation to care for her final arrangements. May your memories of her bring you and your family comfort during this difficult time.

Ashley Keesee - June 12, 2023 at 12:39 PM