



Roberta Kahuanani Kaupu

May 20, 1947 - August 31, 2021

Roberta Kahuanani Kaupu gained her angel wings on August 31, 2021, surrounded by her family, after a hard-fought battle against lung cancer. Roberta was born on May 20, 1947 to her late parents Robert Keanokealahikikapōleikamaka'ōpua Kaupu, Jr. (March 16, 1920 – March 20, 2021) and Thelma 'Akakahiolani Spencer Martillian (August 2, 1925 – February 8, 1992). Growing up, she was affectionately known as Bird or Berta and later in life, she was known as Bobbi or Nana.

She is survived by her three children, Raymond John Adrian, Jr. (Jennifer) of Hilo, Hawaii, Rayline Kahealani Petitt (Ronnie) of Alexandria, Virginia, Robert Denis Adrian of Maui, Hawaii, 16 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren. She leaves behind 5 brothers Richard "Bob" (Linda) Lau, Raymond "Butchie" (Joy) Kaupu, Raphael "Suki" (Sandy) Kaupu, Ravel "Bull" (Donna) Kaupu, Radford "Bugsy" Kaupu; 2 sisters, Rochelle "Shelly" (Harold) Hemperley, Renell "Nell" (Greg) Kaupu-Kai'ali'i'i'l, her step-mother Geri Kaupu and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her brother and sister-in law, Ronnie (Michelle) Collins and sister Jill Kaupu.

Bobbi grew up in Keaukaha, a small town east of Hilo on the Big Island of Hawaii. She attended Kamehameha School on Oahu, Hawaii and was a proud graduate of the Class of 1965. She moved several times throughout her

life but eventually settled in Alexandria, Virginia in 1993, where she lived with her daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren. She soon began babysitting neighborhood children and children of friends – this is when she became Nana or Nana Bobbi, not only to the children, but also to the adults that she always made a point to talk to. Her heart was full of aloha and she was not afraid to share it, she loved everyone, and everyone loved her.

When she was not caring for someone else, Bobbi enjoyed playing her ukulele, singing, reading and doing puzzles. She loved spending time with her family and friends. She loved to bowl and cheer on the Washington Redskins and Washington Nationals. She also liked the San Francisco 49ers and Atlanta Braves.

If you knew her as Sister Kaupu, you knew that she was super proud to be a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. She re-committed herself to the Church that she so loved over 18 years ago and almost never missed a service. She looked forward to going to Church on Sundays but nothing warmed her heart more than sharing her knowledge with the children of the Franconia Ward. She would study her readings and practice her hymns. She always looked forward to seeing her “little ones” and she certainly loved them all.

Family and friends are invited to join us in celebrating her life at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (6219 Villa Street Alexandria, VA 22310) on Saturday, September 18, 2021. Visitation hours are from 12:00 to 2:00 pm EST (6:00 to 8:00 am HST), with a Service of Hope, Gratitude, and Remembrance following (2:00 pm EST, 8:00 am HST). Information to access a livestream of the service will be forthcoming.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that any charitable donations be made to the American Lung Association (lung.org), in honor of Roberta K. Kaupu.

Aloha (floral) or appropriate casual attire. Masks are required indoors and we respectfully request that you practice social distancing when possible.

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **18**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
6219 Villa Street
Alexandria, VA 22310

Service

SEP **18**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Roberta Kahuanani Kaupu*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Roberta Kahuanani Kaupu.*



September 17, 2021 at 09:26 AM



“ *I wanted to wait until the last few days to really come up with something to say for a powerful , amazing woman . Nana, i have so many touchfill moments and one really stayed with me and that was at Ronna Wedding . Introducing me to all your family (most i already knew from when i was your young neighbor) but the enjoyment in your voice when you said my name and walked me around with pride meeting those i haven't before... i've said it before and will continue to do so , i appreciate and love every member of the Pettit family , from pop, to Rayline and the kids will still be kids in my eyes , my sisters Robin and Ronna... thank you for your friendship & your words of advice Nana. Please watch over Aly and I. We have talked to you and i'm glad you got a chance to meet her even if it was just for a moment and i feel sorrow for not being able to bring her more often . I know you forgive me and will guide us . <3*



Yessica Salamanca - Yessi - September 16, 2021 at 05:51 PM

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“ *Richard (Bob) Linda Lau & Family purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Roberta Kahuanani Kaupu.*



Richard (Bob) Linda Lau & Family - September 14, 2021 at 11:25 AM

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“ *Cynthia Krause lit a candle in memory of Roberta Kahuanani Kaupu*



cynthia krause - September 14, 2021 at 08:48 AM

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Nana was a beautiful lady in every way she loved everyone there's nothing that she wouldn't do for anyway .she had a kind and loving heart for people he was angel when she was here but now she has her wings . No fear No pain No tears. You can fly now beautiful angel .Taken but never forgotten

cynthia krause - September 14, 2021 at 08:53 AM

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“ As long as I knew my auntie, she never was rude or mean to anyone!!! She was always so kind and loving!!! She never met a stranger!!! As our family celebrate another family member's life I feel like my heart has been ripped out of my chest!!! However, I know auntie has been healed of her cancer and she's happy with our loved ones that preceeded her!!! She will sorely be missed as well as our other friends and family who have passed away too!!! We know we'll see all of our loved ones one day!!! Until then, auntie RIP!!! Love you, your niece and nephew Sonya and Robert Johnson!!!

Sonya Johnson - September 10, 2021 at 02:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Roberta Kahuanani Kaupu.



September 09, 2021 at 06:02 PM