



David Paul Samuella

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OBITUARY David Paul Samuela

January 2, 1944 – July 10, 2021

It is with tremendous sadness that we announce the death of our father, David Paul Samuela, on July 10, 2021, in Vancouver, Washington. He died of complications from multiple falls.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Pataha and Elizabeth Samuela, of Tacoma, Washington, and one grandson, Nicolo Samuela Maldonado, of Las Vegas, Nevada. He is survived by his five children: Suzanne Samuela-Maldonado, currently of Tennessee; Heather and her husband Jay Selby of Portland, Oregon; Deborah Samuela Freeman of Winlock, Washington; David T. Samuela of Puyallup, Washington; and Elizabeth and her husband Rob Ross of University Place, Washington. Dad has nine grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He is survived also by his five sisters and two brothers.

David was born in Kansas City, Missouri. He served briefly in the U.S. Air Force. As an adult he lived in various places including in Redmond and Portland, Oregon; in Chehalis, Carbonado, Cle Elum, Enumclaw, Puyallup, Washington; and near Payson, Utah, and Reno before settling in Las Vegas, Nevada, where he lived for three decades. He returned to the Pacific Northwest in 2002, living in Tacoma, Wenatchee and finally Vancouver.

Mountain View Funeral Home and Memorial Park in Lakewood, Washington, is handling the arrangements.

- Viewing and Visitation will be on Thursday, July 22, 2021, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at Mountain View Funeral Home, Lakewood, Washington.
- The Chapel Service will be on Friday, July 23, 2021, at 10:00 am at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 2455 S 78th Street, Tacoma, Washington.
- The Graveside Dedication will be on Friday July 23, 2021, at 11:30 am at the Mountain View



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Memorial Park, Lakewood, Washington.

- Reception will be held on Friday, July 23, 2021, at 1 pm in the Willow Room at the Celebration of Life Center.



Events


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Visitation


 **Thursday**, July 22, 2021


 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM PT

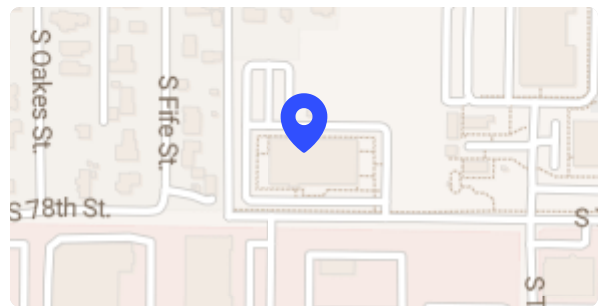
 **Mountain View Funeral Home & Memorial Park**
4100 Steilacoom Blvd SW, Lakewood WA 98499

Funeral Service

 **Friday**, July 23, 2021

 10:00 AM PT


 **LDS Church - 2455 S. 78th Street, Tacoma**
2455 S. 78th Street, TACOMA WA 98409

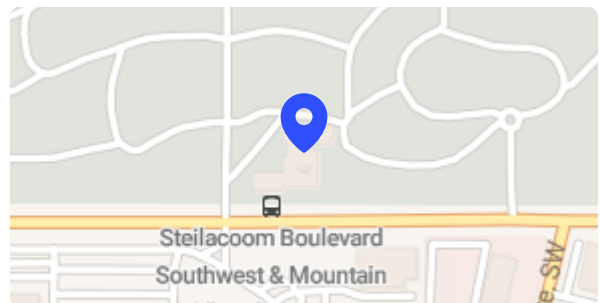


Reception

 **Friday**, July 23, 2021

 1:00 PM PT

 **Willow Room - Celebration of Life Building on the grounds of Mountain View Memorial Park**
4100 Steilacoom Blvd SW, LAKEWOOD WA 98499





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RB

Rick Baker posted:

I just learned of David Paul passing away. I never knew him but, I am related through his mother side of the family. Prayers for him and all his loved one's. May he rest in peace. Rick
Bakerrickebj@hotmail.com

December 21 at 8:29 AM

PC

Peggy Lee Combs posted:

From: Peggy Lee Combs I was just a kid when David Paul came to Bend to live with us for awhile. I think they stayed with us until he found a job and an apartment. I still remember their upstairs apartment on Tumalo St. It must have been summer because I remember him taking us fishing on the river about 15 miles South. I believe Suzanne was born in Bend, and it was so exciting to see the new baby. I did not see him again until I was 17 and rode the bus to Tacoma for my fiancée's graduation from basic training. He picked me up at the bus and took me to visit his Mom, then onto the graduation. I was so grateful because I could not have found it on my own. I was so thankful I got to see him one more time at his Mother's service a couple years ago. Love, prayers, good wishes to you all. Sending regrets that I am not able to make it to the service. I will be thinking of you.

July 21 at 7:06 PM

JE

Jean July 22 at 5:20 PM

Thank you Peggy for sharing your memories of our Paul.

MS

Moana Samuela sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Samuela family.



July 20 at 8:49 AM



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RM

Rose Moroni posted:

"David Paul's First Date" Frankfurt, Germany was another city/country our father received transfer orders to and was our family's last overseas station. We traveled by commercial airline and most of us were air sick both there and back. Our world was more American than German because we lived on the military base. David Paul was a teenager and looking at the girls as most boys his age would. David Paul ask our father if he could take a girl from school to the movies. After serious thought and much consideration our father gave David permission to go to an Elvis Presley movie with the girl from school but he would need to take me as the chaperone. So off we went to the movies. I chaperoned David Paul on his first date.

July 19 at 1:59 PM

RM

Rose Moroni shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.



July 19 at 8:03 AM

SS

Steve Samuela shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

David Paul, Dorothy, Heather, Steven, and my mom Elizabeth Samuela.



July 18 at 2:17 PM

SS

Steve Samuela sent a Summer's Light Bouquet to the Samuela family.



July 18 at 2:05 PM

JW

Janice White lit a candle in honor of David.



July 18 at 11:13 AM



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Jean T Samuela posted:

In the last 2 years, I had the opportunity to visit Paul numerous times on my way to see Ashley in Portland. Due to Covid most of our visits took place outside on the patio. Rain or shine we would have our visits. Paul was very happy with his new apartment and tried to explain in detail what his apartment looked like and how much he enjoyed his new TV and recliner. He stated, its too bad you can't come up. Say, no more brother! So, on my next visit I made it my mission to figure out how to sneak in to surprise him. I parked in front of his apartment building and got the lay of the land. The main entrance and elevator was clear. I finally made my move, walked in and boarded the elevator undetected. I was in.I found his apartment and knocked on the door and surprised him! He laughed so hard and once again we felt like unruly children.June 4th was the last time I would visit Paul as he had been placed in a health care facility due to a fall. It was unclear if I would be able to see him stated the receptionist, via the phone. They had rules! Not to be deterred. I stopped by the Donut Shop and picked up 2 dozen donuts. If all else failed, I would try to bribe my way in. I explained I was visiting from California, and wanted to see my brother before I returned home. After showing license, immunization card and all those donuts, I was granted visitation with my brother on the patio. If you know Paul you know like all his siblings we all love donuts. So we shared a donut that day on the patio. It was one of those beautiful days in Washington; sunny, clear skies and warm. It was the last time I saw my brother.Rest In Peace Brother. May our Heavenly Father and his grace be with you in this your last journey!Jean

July 17 at 6:04 PM



Heather Selby July 18 at 5:33 PM

Aunt Jean, thank you for sharing this story of your visits!!!



Tautu July 18 at 5:12 PM

Very lovely and funny too. Thank you for sharing Auntie



Jean T Samuela lit a candle in honor of David.



July 17 at 5:05 PM



Riri And Mariteragi Family sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Samuela family.



July 17 at 1:29 PM



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Christine Michaud lit a candle in honor of David.

July 17 at 12:39 PM



Anonymous sent a Heavenly Sentiments Spray to the Samuela family.

July 17 at 12:34 PM



Anonymous sent a Heaven's Comfort to the Samuela family.

July 17 at 12:28 PM



Rose Moroni shared 3 photos to the **Memories Album** album.

July 16 at 2:29 PM



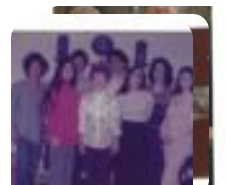
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July 17 at 10:29 AM



Rose Moroni shared an album called **Memories Album**.

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RM **Rose Moroni** July 17 at 10:28 AM
Elizabeth & David, Mother and Son



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Samuela family.



July 17 at 9:18 AM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Samuela family.



July 16 at 2:29 PM



Media

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Pat David Rosalie Elizabeth



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July 17 at 10:25 AM



Riri, Elizabeth & David





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring David by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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