



Eli Elias Jr.

March 22, 1929 - November 21, 2011

Eli Elias Keolanui Jr. aka Eli Elia Keolanui Jr., age 82 passed away on November 21, 2011. Mr. Keolanui Jr. was born in Honolulu, HI. He was a retired School Teacher and Coach with Kahuku High & Elementary School. He is survived by daughter, Karen (Leabert) Lindsey; son, Darwin (Estela Boyd) Keolanui; hanai son, Jon Iwami; brother-in-law, Joseph Medeiros; grandchildren, granddaughter, Bethany (Fluff) Antonio; grandsons, Rockey Lindsey (Kristal Canyon) & Kauka (Blair) Lindsey; great grandchildren, Shellsea-Lee Naihe-Lindsey, Kauka Lindsey Jr., Kaylee Lindsey, Hauoli Patnaude-Antonio & Jaslyne Patnaude-Antonio; cousins, nieces and nephews.

Events

DEC **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:30AM

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Hawaiian Memorial Park Mortuary at Valley of the Temples
47-200 Kahekili Highway, Kaneohe, HI, US, 96744

DEC **Funeral** 11:30AM - 12:30PM

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DEC **Interment**02:00PM - 02:15PM

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Greenhaven Memorial Park
US

Comments



“ Eli was someone we looked up to and idolized after our father died at age of three. We were his biggest fan when he opened the holes for Al Napoleon at Iolani High School to make him the greatest football player in Hawaii history; We spent a summer at his home in Punaluu, learning to swim, to fish, and to just be Hawaiian; He protected us from Kekoa when he used to bully us and almost drowned him when he wouldn't leave us alone; We built new muscles while helping him with his chores: pulling taro; We learned to be humble while taking care of two pigs for his sister Lupua's wedding. When my brother Norb passed away in Hilo, he came to give a eulogy. Norb became a good high school football player and coach and I, a competitive swimmer, mostly because of our time in Punaluu. More important, we became better persons because of him. I will miss him and sorry I only found out this late.

4617 don pio drive, Woodland Hills, Ca 91364
818-883-6513
cousin

gus - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ When I try to put into words my thoughts, emotions and memories of you I find it hard to see through the tears and even harder to swallow the lump in my throat...I am eternally grateful to the powers that be that brought me into your family for those brief years, so long ago, but never forgotten. I was just a kid, far from home, but the unconditional love from you, your dad, Karen and the rest of your beautiful family made me feel like I was HOME. You were such a character! Loving up the keikis and threatening to bus' em' up when they didn't readily love you up...soooo funny! Cruising with you and Darwin in that white car that tilted to the left (hee hee), usually to dinners at Flamingo's or Chuckwagon...I soooo enjoyed listening to your life stories and I'm so glad we had an opportunity to spend some time together this past summer; it will be my last oh, so precious memory of you...You lived your life Full Blast - the way it should always be. I LOVE YOU.

6771 San Pasqual Cir., Buena Park, CA 90620
714-220-9760
Almost Daughter-in-law LOL!

Margaret - December 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so blessed to have had you in our lives and lucky that our children got some of that infamous grandpa love (Dylan remembers spending a lot of time on your lap at Leabert's retirement party)...
We love and miss you sooooo much, but are comforted with the fact that you're with your family (especially Lea-J)...that must be so nice...

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714-220-9760
Cali Family

Clarke 'Ohana - December 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr K. I so loved your Hawaiian Monarchy class 7th
grade...you was quite da teacher..you 'eh Renaud I kno
ur parents' me 'oh hell what now lol' you was
intimidating but I think that's what lacks
nowadays..you def old sku..miss that..because of your
class, my current passion is genealogy...learning my
Hawaiian roots as well as my Chinese n Haole side
too...much love to you and your ohana...I remember
passing your house in Punaluu on my way to Ching
store..jumping bridge etc...good ol days...

student

Jeff Renaud - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I remember your Daddy from one of Lea's performances. He was so warm and loving and raised a beautiful daughter. I thank him for sharing you with the world . Eli , say hi to my Daddy will ya? love you all, denise

515 bell rd. talent, or, 97540
541 2273255
friend of Karen and Leabert and ohana

denise obrien - December 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We will truly miss you Uncle Brother!!

Love,

Martin/Wallace 'Ohana

47-669 Hui Alala Street, Kaneohe, HI
808-754-0989
Niece

Peggieanne Wallace - December 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We send you and your ohana our aloha and heart felt condolences and
deepest sympathy at this time.

Honolulu, Hawaii
808-722-8575
family friend

Cyril Pahinui - December 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ God Bless Karen.
Losing a father is a terrible and lost feeling. We feel all of your sorrow. He live a full and long life. He is now at peace with all of the family in heaven. There looking down on us and saying" don't grieve for us as we are all happily together again in the house of the good lord". Remember him for what he stood for and insure your family never forgets him. To you and all of your Ohana, our deepest condolences and blessings are with all of you.
Aloha Ke Akua
Uncle Jabby and Aunty Jackie

54-119 Hauula Park Pl, Hauula, Hi 96717
293-5406
Sister and brother-in-law

Uncle jabby and Aunty Jackie - December 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Your dad was a wonderful teacher. He made me laugh daily with his sense of humor. Your dad will be greatly missed. May our Heavenly Father comfort and Love you and yours always... Much Love, Jill

P.O. Box 353
student

Jill Aalona - December 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Knowing him through Meryl and visiting with him on my visits to Hawaii was a joy. He will be greatly missed.

709 W Oregon St
940-888-2204
friend

Eunice Webb - December 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Karen and Darwin,
My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. May your hearts be filled with the happiest of memories.

Aloha
Pam

333 Childs ave trlr 2b
8016212720
Niece

Pam - December 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts are with you and your families. May the memories of the good times help to carry you through this difficult time.

Love,
Linda

686 W 1000 N
8018254299
Niece

Linda Davis - December 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ RIP Coach Eli. I remember when U first started teaching and coaching at Kahuku, I was a freshman and was a member of the Junior Varsity football team, U were the assistant to Coach Kramer and my sophomore season, U were the Head JV coach.....U used to tease, joke & call us all punks! Good old days and times.....Aloha Larry & Pat Leong

2298 S. 450 W. Bountiful, Utah 84010
8012928584
Ex-student, football player

Larry Leong - December 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Karen and Darwin, our heart felt condolences and deepest sympathy are with you and the rest of the ohana at this time. He was Uncle Eli, Grampa Eli to us, and our moopuna. He loved the keiki, and was always eager to see them, and give a big hug and kisses. His big booming voice, his unconditional love will always be remembered. We loved him.
A hui hou, Bruce and Dutcy.

PO Box 2808 Kamuela, HI 96743
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Jocelyn Lindsey - December 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ You will be missed...

Love

3782 Center Ave Norco CA 92860
951 7360703
cousin

Reilee Corley - December 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM