



GOVERNMENT OF TONGA

MEDIA RELEASE

(18th December, 2021)

“FUNERAL- RIGHT HONOURABLE COLONEL, THE LORD MA’AFU”

(12th – 27th December 2021)

Noble of the Realm
‘Ulu ‘o Ha’a Havea
Lord Minister in Waiting to His Majesty in Privy Councillor
Deputy Prime Minister
Minister for Lands and Natural Resources
Minister responsible for His Majesty’s Armed Forces

Military Order of St. George (Grand Officer)
Royal Order of the Crown Medal (Commander)
Silver Jubilee Medal
Long Service and Good Conduct Medal
General Service Medal
US Army Commendation Medal

SUNDAY, 12TH DECEMBER 2021

THE LATE RIGHT HONOURABLE COLONEL, THE LORD MA’AFU

Died peacefully in the early hours of 12 December 2021 at the Auckland City Hospital, New Zealand.

MONDAY, 13TH – TUESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER

The Late Lord Ma’afu rests at the Morrison Funeral Home at Henderson, Auckland, New Zealand.

Wednesday, 15th December and Saturday, 18th December

Vigil and Prayer Services in the presence of –

Lady Kalisi ‘Uluakimata Kupu Ma’afu
Honourable Tevita ‘Unga Tangitau Ma’afu
Honourable Lavinia Fangaake Hoamofaleono Ma’afu Veikune

TUESDAY, 14TH DECEMBER

“Lanu Kilikili” at the Huelo ‘o Hangai Tomb

MONDAY, 20TH DECEMBER

3:00pm Procession of the Cortege departs from Morrison Funeral Home to Auckland International Airport.

Procession of the Cortege arrives at the Auckland International Airport.

TUESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER

9:40am Departure from Auckland International Airport to the Kingdom of Tonga
Repatriation on Air New Zealand Flight 1172

TUESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER

ARRIVAL IN TONGA OF THE LATE RIGHT HONOURABLE COLONEL, THE LORD MA'AFU

VVIP Lounge (Fua'amotu International Airport)

12Noon Her Majesty Queen Nanasipau'u, VVIPs and Dignitaries arrive at Fua'amotu International Airport

Order of Arrival – to be advised.

12:30PM Arrival of Air New Zealand Flight 1172

Royal Family, VVIPs and Dignitaries are invited to proceed to the Front Verandah of the VVIP Lounge to await the arrival of the Flight.

Arrival of the Late Lord Ma'afu's Cortege

- I. Conveyance of the Casket from the Aircraft to the Hearse by the Bearer Party / Ministry of Health

- II. Vehicles move into procession formation from the entrance gate (VVIP Lounge) with the Police Escort vehicle in advance

1:30pm Funeral Procession: The Motorcade - Police Escort in Advance

The Hearse bearing the Casket of the Late Lord Ma'afu

Her Majesty Queen Nanasipau'u

Dignitaries

Family and Kainga

The Cortege departs from Fua'amotu International Airport and will continue along Taufu'ahau Road to the Vaiola Hospital Mortuary.

The estate of Vaini will pay their respects along Taufu'ahau Road.

2:30pm Arrival at the Vaiola Hospital Mortuary

Dignitary/Official will greet the funeral procession at the Mortuary.

Her Majesty Queen Nanasipau'u departs from the Procession

The Bearer Party / Ministry of Health conveys the Casket from the Hearse to the Mortuary.

TUESDAY, 21ST – SUNDAY, 26TH DECEMBER

THE LATE RIGHT HONOURABLE COLONEL, THE LORD MA'AFU RESTS AT THE VAIOLA HOSPITAL MORTUARY

TRADITIONAL PRESENTATIONS *to be presented at the Ongokie Residence.*

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (21st, 22nd and 23rd of December)

6:00PM PRAYER SERVICES

All prayer services will be conducted at the Seventh Day Adventist : Vakaua Hall, Vaini.

MONDAY, 27TH DECEMBER

All Flags in the Kingdom will be flown at Half-Mast.

FUNERAL SERVICE AND INTERMENT

7:30am Formation of the Funeral Procession

The Casket of the Late Lord Ma'afu is conveyed by the Bearer Party to the Hearse.

Order of Procession – to be advised.

8:15am Funeral Procession

The Cortege departs from Vaiola Hospital Mortuary to the Huelo 'o Hangai Tomb at Tokomololo.

FUNERAL SERVICE

8:30am Guests to be seated

Arrival of His Majesty, King Tupou VI

Arrival of Funeral Procession

The Casket of the Late Lord Ma'afu is conveyed by the Bearer Party to the Bier.

PAYING OF RESPECTS AND LAYING OF WREATHS

*His Majesty, King Tupou VI
Honourable Caretaker Prime Minister
Lord Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
Acting Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Tonga
Heads of Diplomatic Missions
Honorary Consuls
Chief of the Defence Staff
Defence Attaches*

10:00am Funeral Service

Order of Service to be officiated by the President of the Seventh Day Adventist Church and Clergy

Order of Service – to be advised.

MILITARY FUNERAL HONOURS

INTERMENT

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