



## Anton Gary Templeton

October 26, 1977 - January 22, 2026

Anton Gary Templeton was born in Tuatapere, Southland, New Zealand, on 26 October 1977, and passed away on 22 January 2026 at the age of 48. Anton was the beloved son of Gary and Lorraine Templeton, and stepson of Glenda. He was the youngest brother of Vicki, Lyndon, and Marty. In February 2004 Anton married Kristin. He was a devoted and proud father to his two sons, Leo and Keegan, whom he loved deeply and spoke of often with great pride and concern.

Anton spent his early years in Tuatapere before his family moved to Katikati in the Bay of Plenty in 1983. He attended Tuatapere Primary School and later Katikati Primary School, completing his schooling in Katikati. After leaving school, Anton returned to Tuatapere, where he worked in the sawmill and forestry industry before embarking on an overseas journey that would shape much of his adult life.

Anton worked at the Sydney Olympics venue and later travelled to the United States, where he worked in the Californian vineyards. It was there that he met Kristin, leading to their marriage in February 2004. From that time, Anton made his home in Las Vegas, USA, with a brief two year return to Katikati, New Zealand.

A skilled and dedicated tradesman, Anton qualified as a plumber and was well respected by both colleagues and clients. Known affectionately as “Kiwi” by those he worked alongside, he was admired not only for his workmanship but also for his character and work ethic.

Anton enjoyed getting together with people and talking about all sorts of interesting topics especially politics. He also enjoyed fishing and sport and was a talented squash and cricket player. He would return to New Zealand to spend time with family and friends, often fishing and reconnecting with those he loved. His family feels especially grateful to have shared the last two New Zealand summers with him before his passing.

Above all else, Anton loved his sons. He regularly expressed his love, care and concern for Leo and Keegan during phone calls from the USA.

Anton will be remembered for his good company and love of family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Rest in peace, Anton. You will be sadly missed by your family, work colleagues and friends.