



Vale

Warren Sidney Langman

1st July 1943 - 6th May 2026

Warren was born in Johannesburg, South Africa.

After finishing his schooling he completed a five year diamond cutting apprenticeship where he excelled obtaining the highest certificate and later obtained a Diploma as a Graduate Gemologist GIA (Gemologist Institute of America).

Due to the sedentary nature of his work he joined a gym and bodybuilding became a passion.

Moving to Pietermaritzburg, he started his own gym and entered many national and international bodybuilding contests, winning many titles.

He married his first wife soon after, they had two children, Dallas and Candida.

In 1974 he met Cynthia on a blind date. They were married six weeks later, a marriage that lasted more than 52 years.

Together they immigrated to Canada with one year old Troy. Quenton and Gayle were born in Victoria, British Columbia.

Warren had a number of different businesses including a bodybuilding gym where he mentored many young men who to this day remember him with gratitude for his guidance and help.

Once again Warren was involved in both his loves, gyms and gems. He organised many local and national contests with guest stars such as Arnold Schwarzenegger who became a personal friend.

After 10 years he and his young family immigrated to New Zealand seeking a warmer climate.

At the request from a good friend in Pakistan, he organised a tour with Mahammad Ali for the latter to open a newly built village.

The family holidayed on Norfolk Island and decided this was an excellent place to raise young children. He bought a house and two cafes, both called "Hettae," one was moved to bigger premises and became a very successful family restaurant, Checkers.

He started a non-for-profit gym on the Island. He was very involved in the South Pacific Games and travelled to many of the Islands that hosted such events.

He was the driving force behind the start of Years 11 and 12 at the Norfolk Island School.

Warren became involved with the then Tourist Bureau working with Robert Doyle, Bryce Henderson, Les Garraway and Mike King promoting Norfolk as a holiday destination.

Warren was very passionate about trees. He started Land Care and with a dedicated local team planted numerous trees at Cockpit and Headstone Reserves. He also created a forest of Norfolk Pines on their Rooty Hill property.

He then started an Australian Geographic Store that he sold enabling him to go back to his love of diamonds, with the opening of Diamonds Exclusive. The majority of young couples bought engagement and wedding rings from him. Nothing gave him more pleasure than helping choose a special diamond. This was subsequently sold and he and Cynthia left the Island in 2009 and went to Tasmania where they lived for nine years.

They moved back to Norfolk in 2018 until 6 years later when during a visit to Hobart they had to relocate for major health reasons.

Warren will always be remembered as a kind, generous man with high ethics and integrity.

'Rest in peace, my Darling.'



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