Acknowledgement To Negotiators Who Have Passed

Sadly as Rangitāne o Manawatu (ROM) Treaty claim journey has occurred over two centuries and three decades we have lost some of our Te Mauri O Rangitāne O Manawatu Negotiators and our original Principal Negotiator. Their stalwart desire to see a Treaty Settlement for Rangitāne O Manawatu saw Wai 182 lodged by our late Principal Negotiator Whaea Ruth Harris.

Following securing Tanenuiarangi Manawatu Incorporated (TMI) mandate to negotiate ROM historical Treaty claims Rangiharuru Fitzgerald was one of the original Negotiators appointed in 1997, however he sadly passed over the Christmas period of 1997.



Matua Rangiharuru Fitzgerald

Matua Tanenuiarangi Te Awe Awe

With his passing Tanenuiarangi Te Awe Awe took up the mantle and was a Negotiator until his passing in 2000. He was extremely determined to see the claim completed and he gave TMI his full support.

With Matua Tanenuiarangi passing in 2001 Whaea Kura Te Rangi-Baker became a Negotiator and took a very active role in Negotiations until her passing in 2006.



Whaea Kura Te Rangi-Baker



Whaea Ruth Harris

Then in 2007 our Principal Negotiator Whaea Ruth Harris passed away. At the time of her passing she was aware the claim had started to move forward again.

So close to settlement we lost our beloved Whaea Kararaina Tait in August 2012, one of our Te Mauri O Rangitāne O Manawatu Negotiators and a founding member of Tanenuiarangi Manawatu Incorporated Roopu.



Whaea Kararaina Tait

Their wairua has guided the remaining Negotiators over the ensuing years to complete the claim so that the journey they started can come to an end. We honour and acknowledge these leaders within our iwi who have passed.