



Carl Josh Lanford

May 16, 1937 - August 2, 2019

Carl Josh Lanford was born May 16th, 1937 in Gould, OK to John and Virginia Lanford. He went home to be with the Lord on Friday August 2nd 2019.

Carl was a man of many talents. He was a master wood worker, an avid golfer, a storyteller like none other and a stranger to no one.

He attended and worked at Fresno State and Chico State University where he further honed his skills and love for horses and cattle. He turned that love into a career. For a short time he worked as a Ferrier before opening his own successful business as an Artificial Inseminator of dairy cattle. He was honored by Governor Reagan for helping many dairymen save their cattle during a Northern California flood.

Carl's love of life and children led him to be a Boy Scout leader for 24 years. He was awarded the Silver Beaver Award, the highest honor a leader can receive.

Carl's true passion in life was serving the Lord. He took great pride in sharing God's word, teaching classes and helping others find the Lord. He was truly a man of God!

He is survived by his wife of 47 years Judi Lanford, son Jon Brent Lanford (Kate), daughter Brenda Allen (Julius), sisters Hertha Cummins (Dan) & Lana Coley, brother Gary Lanford, God daughter & God son Traci & Brandon Strange, Extended family Rob & Carol Armour, granddaughters Elyse Allen, Janelle Allen & Katelin Strange. As well as many wonderful nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Sunday, August 11th 2019 from 4-7 at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel in Visalia. A Celebration of Life will be Monday, August 12th 2019 at 11am at Parkside Chapel in Visalia.

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel *Slumber Room
127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Celebration of Life

AUG 12. 11:00 AM (PT)

Parkside Chapel
3200 E. Walnut Ave.
Visalia, CA 93292

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Carl Josh Lanford*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - August 02, 2019 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *My uncle Carl was always my very favorite cowboy and ❤️ biker ❤️. His stories and antics were so fun and I'm sure there was never a time where he was in the house when there was not laughter and joy. But the biggest gift that comes to mind when I think of my beautiful Uncle Carl is the loving, gentle, compassionate way he took care of my Grandma, Millie. She loved him so very much. We all did. We will miss you Uncle Carl. Thank you Auntie Judi for taking such good care of him. You are in the hearts and prayers of our whole family. ❤️❤️❤️ Love from up north... Jim, Jimmy, Brenda, David, Huston, Christian, Izabelle, Alisa, Melissa, Isaac, Sierra and Andre.*



Alisa Mattiazzi - August 11, 2019 at 07:53 PM

RR

“ YES Carl RIP! What a Gentle Christian man you were. Our friendship covers many years of adventure's: motorcycle riding to Death Valley, Sorority functions, coffee times with Richard: after you finished working with your 4 legged Black and White Clients an Richard took a break from his 4 wheeled Black & White cruiser and working out weights lifting.

To watch you mingle in a crowd, sharing your faith and many life stories, with your Oklahoma Twang, adding yet another level of excitement to your witnessing & stories.

We are praying for your lovely Bride, Judi, family and extended family to be covered with Christ's love.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is waiting to welcome into His Heavenly Father's Home.

Until we meet again, Carl, what a Faithful Servant you were!

♥♥ Richard & Jacqueline Randolph

Richard & Jacqueline Randolph - August 08, 2019 at 03:02 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Carl Josh Lanford.



August 07, 2019 at 11:39 PM

DP

“ RIP Carl! What wonderful man! I will miss his wonderful stories of the past! Thank you for being one of the kindest men I've ever met! God Bless all the family! May you all have peace knowing he's in the arms of our lord!



Donna Post - August 07, 2019 at 06:55 PM

RR

We loved to hear Carl's stories especially when he used his Oklahoma twang, watch him mingle in a crowd and sing in the church choir. There was a time Carl, I wasn't sure if you and Richard could be left alone, without one of you getting hurt! 😞 Your friendship was special, you both would meet up, for a cup of coffee, after you finished tending to your four-legged black and white clientele's and Richard driving a four wheeled black and white vehicle.

Yes, Carl was a Gentle Godly man and friend to many. Our prayers are covering his Lovely Wife, Judi, and family. 💕 Richard & Jacqueline Randolph

Richard & Jacqueline Randolph - August 07, 2019 at 10:27 PM

AB

Carl was a very good man. He knew his Bible and shared with many. We send our prayers and respect to Judi. God bless you and the Family. Arvilla & Joe Boswell

Arvilla Boswell - August 08, 2019 at 06:50 PM

FN

RIP Carl. Carl bred cows on our Tulare family dairy for about 20 years. I really enjoyed his stories and knowledge. Even though i was a young know it all college graduate in 1990 Carl still treated me with respect. Carl will be missed.

Frank Nunes
Nunes Bros Dairy

frank nunes - August 12, 2019 at 08:42 PM

JN

I knew Carl Josh in High School. His nick name was 'Happy' and it was a good nick name for him because it seemed that he was always happy. He will be missed.

Joe Newberry

Joe Newberry - August 14, 2019 at 10:06 AM