



Cecil Junior Taylor

August 6, 1945 - September 19, 2025

Cecil Junior Taylor, 80, of Exeter passed away Friday September 19, 2025, He was born August 6, 1945 to James (Jay) Taylor and Eula Faye (Gilpin) Taylor in Exeter, Ca

He married his wife of 57 years, Sharry (Whitson) Taylor on September 17, 1968. They have a son and two daughters, and lived the majority of their married life in Tulare County. He worked most of his adult life as a truck driver and big rig tow truck operator, jobs he really enjoyed. Cecil was one of those people who never met a stranger and was liked and respected by those he met throughout his life.

As his children grew up he loved taking them fishing, camping and trips to Disneyland each year. His favorite things in life included the US Marine Corps, the 49ers, and spending time at Pismo Beach where his family had vacationed since he was 6 years old. Most of all he treasured his children and grandchildren, and friendships that he maintained from childhood to the present day.

He was dearly loved and will be missed desperately.

Cecil is preceded in death by his parents, Jay and Faye, brother Alvin Taylor, grandson Brandon Machado, and sister in laws; Judy Pope, Patricia

Contreras, and Debbie Whitson.

He is survived by his wife Sharry; son Jeff Taylor and wife Suzy of Sanger, daughters Christina Machado and Manda Taylor both of Exeter, and adopted son Eric Tanner and wife Penny of Texas; 10 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren, as well as brothers in law Nick Whitson and wife Denise of Clearwater FL and Jerry Whitson of Visalia.

Cecil was cremated and a family celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.