



## Donald Isaac Beck, II

July 25, 1947 - May 19, 2026

Donald Isaac Beck II was born July 25, 1947 in Tulare, California and passed away on May 19, 2026 at Ronald Reagan Hospital in Los Angeles, California surrounded by his family. He was born to Don and Annetta Beck of Tulare where he was raised with his 3 brothers and a close-knit family of cousins. He attended Tulare elementary schools and graduated from Tulare Union in 1965.

He began dating his future wife, Diane Gordon, during his junior year and they were married in 1969. While in high school he began working for his family business, Sturgeon & Beck where he continued until his retirement in 2019. He started off doing odd jobs at the shop, later became a full-time salesman, and then became a partner. After high school he also graduated from College of the Sequoias and was enlisted in the National Guard.

In 1972 Donn and Diane welcomed their first child, Brandon, followed by Jennifer in 1976, and Katherine in 1982. He was later upgraded to Papa by his 7 grandchildren. He enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren play sports and participate in 4-H and FFA. Pismo Beach was one of his favorite places, as he took many family vacations there throughout his life. He liked to have friends and family over to celebrate occasions and enjoyed cooking and sharing his recipes with others. Stuffed tri-tip, meatballs, and "snowballs" were some of his favorite things to share. Later in life he got a Harley and enjoyed

riding with his son and friends. He had a soft spot for animals of all kinds. His laugh was infectious and he was known for his sense of humor. Many of his closest people got nicknames and you knew he liked you if he teased you.

Over the course of his career, he built lifelong friendships, trusted business partners, and strong community ties. He was supportive of youth programs and the city of Tulare. One of his favorite things to do was to spoil his grandkids with sweets; donuts on Saturdays, milkshakes on random weeknights, and sneaking cookies before dinner. He was well known throughout the town and rarely went anywhere without bumping into someone he knew. His gruff exterior and no-nonsense attitude might have been intimidating at first, but he was a kind soul who people loved once they got to know.

Donn is survived by his wife, Diane Beck, son, Brandon (Amy) Beck, daughter, Jennifer Keiser, daughter, Katherine (Brian) Nunes, grandchildren, Bailey (Sam), Lindsey, Kourtney (Nate), Emma, Asher, Beckham, and Pierson. He is also survived by his brothers, Allan (Jeanne), Greg (Carolyn), and Chris (Chrissy) Beck, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, Don and Annetta Beck. The family is grateful for the incredible care he received at Tulare Adventist, Kaweah Delta, and UCLA. His wife, Diane, took great care of him in recent years as his health declined. She kept track of and made sure he got to all of his appointments, took care of his medications, and tried to get him to eat well by fixing his favorite meals. As one of his longtime doctors said, he had a good life and did things his way.

Details on a celebration of life will be shared once it is scheduled.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillar.com](http://www.salseranddillar.com)

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