



Douglas K Scarbrough

June 14, 1945 - February 18, 2024

Douglas (Doug) K Scarbrough passed away February 18, 2024. He was born in Porterville, CA June 14, 1945, to Willie Joe & Kay Scarbrough. He was the sixth of eight children and grew up in Strathmore, CA.

Doug attended Strathmore High School, class of 1963, and COS, where he met his beautiful wife, Jilaine (Jill) Janigian, while they both were performing in the COS operetta. They were married within four weeks of meeting, and July would have marked 60 years of devoted love.

Doug and Jill moved 10 different times in the first two years of their marriage, while Doug performed professional musical theatre. He then joined the U.S. Air Force, and after winning the Air Force Worldwide Talent Contest, he auditioned and was chosen to be the baritone soloist for the official U.S. Air Force Band and Singing Sergeants. Doug also had the honor to sing in front of five U.S. Presidents, kings and queens, numerous foreign dignitaries, and at NFL and MLB games, as well as film a nationwide commercial, and worldwide TV show. Jill was, and always will be, Doug's biggest fan! Doug loved to entertain, even if it was while he was working at his infamous Top Dog chili dog stand, that he owned for 24 years.

Doug and Jill had two daughters, Tracy (Mark) Shannon, and Kara (Brandon) Ford, and six grandchildren: Brooke and Brenna Shannon, and Skylar, Jayce,

Dax, and Blaire Ford. Doug considered his family his greatest gift, and always loved when his home was filled with the laughter and joy of his loved ones.

Doug/ Dad/ Papa left his family a beautiful legacy that will bless generations to come. He never turned anyone away, and he had the kindest, most giving, and loving heart. He was an upstanding citizen & devoted patriot. He loved God, his family, and his country. He never wavered; he was loyal, trustworthy, compassionate, understanding, handsome, talented, and so very silly. He was a wonderful husband, father, papa, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend. Doug touched the lives of so many, and he will be deeply missed! We have comfort in knowing that Doug entered the gates of Heaven, and that God gained an amazing, singing angel. Wish we "could see the angels faces when they hear your sweet voice sing." We love you "BIG BUNCHES", and we "love you more." Until we hug again!

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2024, at 2:00pm at Neighborhood Church, 5505 W. Riggan Ave. Visalia, CA.

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

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 16. 2:00 PM (PT)

Neighborhood Church
5505 W Riggin Ave
Visalia, CA 93291

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Douglas K Scarbrough*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - March 07, 2024 at 04:06 PM

AF

“ *Andrea Juarez and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Douglas K Scarbrough.*



Andrea Juarez and Family - March 15, 2024 at 06:50 PM

TA

“ *Tony and Tracy Anello planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas K Scarbrough.*

Tony and Tracy Anello - March 11, 2024 at 04:31 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Douglas K Scarbrough.*



March 11, 2024 at 04:31 AM

SR

“ Incredibly saddened learning Doug had passed ... Doug & Jill my Neighbor over thirty four years ... The best neighbors ever ... We looked out for one another & other neighbors thru out the years ... Doug was always helpful with my yard projects & shared many great DIY Hacks ... I have since moved to Fresno but have kept in touch ... Dougs talent for singing outstanding as well as acting ... A true american patriot devoted to his family ... Absolutely greatly missed ... Sincere heartfelt thoughts to Jill, Tracy, Kara, family & loved ones

Sharon Robison - March 01, 2024 at 11:43 AM

MA

“ Maria planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas K Scarbrough.

Maria - February 29, 2024 at 07:46 PM



“ Gourmet Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas K Scarbrough.



February 29, 2024 at 07:46 PM

MB

“ I knew Doug quite a while ago, when he was with the Singing Sergeants, in the DC area. I met his wife while we were working as civilians for the Air force. My husband and I became good friend and had many great times together. Therefor we had been blessed to enjoy numerous events that Doug was singing with the sergeants and at other events. Who could turn down any event with him singing. I also remember he pulled several stunts on us. Boy was he fun. Alexandria Apts with some really questionable things going on to see if I can get embarrassed, or going on high elevated Roads, because I didn't like heights. Of course, Jill went right along with these surprises. After we both ended up with little ones, their babies being the same age as ours it was still fun. But then the moved back to CA, and back to VA and then back to VA. Great family, I missed them a lot. Their kids are precious as are the grandchildren. Jill, you definitely had a great husband, full of joy and a heart and voice full of music. He is going to join the angels above with singing.

Doug you are definitely will be missed!! A life well lived!!!

Maria Briganti - February 29, 2024 at 07:35 PM

DB

My uncle Doug was a very exceptional person . So loving, caring and a beautiful soul . There are not enough words to describe him or the loss we all feel. Just knowing he is in heaven singing and waiting for the day we have our huge family reunion

Love you bunches ,

Your first niece

Donna

donna buller - March 01, 2024 at 09:22 AM

JP

I delivered mail to Doug's hot dog stand for many years. He always put a smile to my face when I saw him. He always lifted my day. If he didn't have any customers, he would always be singing. He was such a character. One of a kind. I was very blessed to call him my friend. He will be missed.

John Perez

John Perez - March 02, 2024 at 09:42 AM

SS

I met Doug when he had the hot dog stand. He and Jill were so friendly. Sometimes he would sing while we were there. He will be missed by many.

sandra (nation) stokes - March 05, 2024 at 03:41 PM

CF

I was Doug's very first employee at Top Dog. He was an amazing kind man and a great employer. If we weren't busy with customers, he would get up on the wall with his microphone and start singing. People would come and say they were out on Mooney and heard Doug singing and had to come see what was going on. Even though I didn't work for him anymore Doug sang at my wedding and of course he was amazing. My husband and I always tried to come by occasionally to get a hot dog or frito boat in my case and say hello to Doug. The world lost a good one, but heaven gained a wonderful angel. My condolences to Jill and the family.

Christine Forester - March 07, 2024 at 02:50 PM

CP

Doug Scarbrough was a most gentle spirit that always sent a powerful message through song that would last a lifetime...and now, he has been called home. What an inspiration and joy to be around him. One couldn't have a bad day...he would not allow it! It was through the music programs at COS in the beginning that started our friendship. It seemed for awhile, we could not have a COS operetta unless Doug was acting and singing a role, and Jill dancing her way through the story line. They made quite a team. When Tracy and Kara starting dancing as well, it was truly a musical family that made life a delight. I will always remember all the rehearsals and performances to many events when Doug would incorporate live piano accompaniment. I was his accompanist. Doug worked hard to get each and every phrase as perfect as possible and the result was evident when he'd put on the show of shows. His work ethic was amazing. I will miss his winning smile, his wit, as well as his outreach for the love of humanity. He never knew a stranger with his winning personality and energy. I loved and appreciated our time together and my sincerest sympathy to Jill, Tracy and Kara and all the family. My love, thoughts and prayers are with you. Rest in peace, my friend.

Chaumonde Porterfield-Pyatt, COS Professor of Music

Chaumonde Porterfield-Pyatt - March 07, 2024 at 11:59 PM