



Edward David Leon

December 6, 1954 - February 4, 2024

Edward David Leon, aka (Beannie) was born on December 6, 1954, in Visalia, California and passed away on February 4, 2024 peacefully in the comfort of his home surrounded by his loved ones.

He was the sixth child born to the late Efren and Josephine Leon. Beannie and his siblings were raised in Woodlake California. He was always proud to call Woodlake his hometown and that he was a Tiger. He went through the Woodlake School system and graduated from Woodlake High School in 1973. During his high school years Beannie was a member of the football, basketball, baseball, tennis and swimming teams.

After graduating from Woodlake High School Beannie went to work for the National Forestry in Sequoia National Park. After a few years he changed careers and went to work for Baker Brothers Ranch as a ranch manager. In 1985 Beannie went to work for Dryvit in Woodlake, California and eventually retired in 2017 as sampler/production supervisor for more than 30 years. The friendships, good times and the memories were very special moments in his life.

For more than 30 years Beannie was an active member of the Woodlake Lions Club. He was involved in community events and fundraisers, especially the Woodlake lions Rodeo. Every year he was in charge of preparing and

overseeing the deep pit barbecue that would be enjoyed by thousands of people that attended on Mother's Day Weekend. Beannie could be seen serving cold beverages from the Northeast side of the Woodlake Rodeo.

His leisure activities included traveling, golfing with his buddies, going to sporting events and spending time with family and friends. He has a deep love for the Raiders and the San Francisco Giants. Laughlin was a favorite destination to go with friends and family. His love of traveling also took him to Alaska, Cabo San Lucas, Las Vegas, Reno, Tahoe, Chicago and taking cruises.

Beannie is preceded in death by his parents Efren and Josephine Leon, brothers James, Gary, Gilbert, Richard Leon, sister Gloria Cardenas, nephew Patrick Cardenas and niece Diane Frazier. He leaves behind his son Andrew Leon of Woodlake, sister Elizabeth (Tony) Valero and brother Ruben (Jennie)Leon both of Woodlake. Beannie will be deeply missed by nieces and their children. Beannie was a loving Tio to all his nieces and nephews and will forever be remembered for his big heart. He also leaves behind numerous friends and extended family.

Visitation will be held 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Friday, March 15th, 2024 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia. Rosary will follow from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Memorial Mass services will be held 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Saturday, March 16th, 2024 at Holy Family Catholic Church, 1908 N. Court St., Visalia. Graveside services will be held 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Saturday, March 16th, 2024 at Woodlake Public Cemetery, 165 N Cypress St, Woodlake.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 15. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

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

Rosary

MAR 15. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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Visitation

MAR 15. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

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127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Memorial Mass

MAR 16. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (PT)

Holy Family Catholic Church
1908 N. Court St.
Visalia, CA

Graveside

MAR 16. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (PT)

Woodlake Public Cemetery
165 N. Cypress St.
Woodlake, CA 93286

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Edward David Leon*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - March 13, 2024 at 06:29 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Edward David Leon*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - March 13, 2024 at 05:33 PM

RL

*Great pictures. Gone but not to be forgotten. Love ❤️ you Cousin.
Becky Lira*

Rebecca Lira - March 15, 2024 at 04:16 PM

MP

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Leon Family. Beannie was an amazing man. He was a great friend to my parents Oscar and Emma Saldana. We are going to miss him but he will not be forgotten. God bless!!!



Martha Pack - March 08, 2024 at 06:26 PM

GA

“ My Deepest Condolences to the Leon family, Bennie rest in peace , gone but not forgotten. Georganna Alley

Georganna Alley - March 07, 2024 at 03:59 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Edward David Leon.



March 07, 2024 at 01:52 PM

RP

“ Ruby and Tab Peñaloza planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward David Leon.

Ruby and Tab Peñaloza - March 07, 2024 at 01:52 PM

DE

“ Will miss your bright smile Cousin. Praying for all the family. Love Diane and the Perez Family

Dee - March 06, 2024 at 10:39 PM

RL

“ Bennie was a Great guy, nephew and cousin. He helped my parents out when my Dad couldn't do the yard any longer and he stepped up to the plate. Loved the casino. RIP sweet cousin. Love and miss you. Tia Cuca and Becky Lira

Rebecca Lira - March 06, 2024 at 07:04 PM

CB

“ My deepest condolences. I would see him every year at the Woodlake rodeo. ❤️🙏 Insurance 😊

caroline Blackwell - March 05, 2024 at 06:15 PM

AC

My sincerest condolences to the Leon family. Sorry for your loss. Rest in Peace, Bennie 🙏

Alice Castello - March 16, 2024 at 04:13 PM