

## Elena Mendez

May 8, 1977 - April 10, 2016

Elena Yvonne Mendoza-Mendez, 38 of Visalia, California passed away on Sunday, April 10, 2016 at home with family, friends and children by her side.

Elena was born on May 8th 1977 in Santa Barbara, CA to Anna and Mark Mendoza. Her family moved to Visalia when she was 7. Elena attended school in Visalia and graduated from Sequoia High School in 1995. After graduation Elena worked in mental health and was a care provider for disabled adults. She is survived by the loves of her life, her children, Celeste Heaven Galindo, Chloe Savannah Mendez and Aayden Tommy Mendez; her parents, Mark and Anna (Ornelas) Mendoza of Visalia; her brothers, Paul Anthony Mendoza of Visalia and Mark Allan Mendoza Jr. and wife Lisa of Visalia; her sisters, Adriana Mendoza of Fremont, Lisa Mendoza of Templeton, CA, Elaine Marie Mendoza of Visalia and Hannah Angel Mendoza of Visalia; Nephews and nieces. Elena is preceded in death by her sister Angel Naomi Mendoza. Elena will always be remembered as the life of the party. Everywhere she went she brought joy and laughter with her big bright smile. She loved to dance and sing karaoke. She was one of the biggest Raider's fans you will ever meet and also loved the LA Lakers and the Oakland A's.

Viewing and visitation will be held at 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Thursday, April 21st, 2016 at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel with a memorial service at 6:00 pm. A funeral service will be held on Friday, April 22nd, 2016 at 11:00 am at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel followed by burial at Visalia District

Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Visalia Public Cemetery

1300 W. Goshen Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93291  
visaliacemetery@aol.com  
<http://www.visaliacem.org/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**APR 21.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel  
127 E. Caldwell Ave  
Visalia, CA 93277  
(559) 635-1144  
[info@salseranddillard.com](mailto:info@salseranddillard.com)  
<https://www.salseranddillard.com>

## Wake

**APR 21.** 6:00 PM (PT)

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## Service

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APR **22**. 11:00 AM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall

CM

“ I am her daughter . I'm 13 and she passed when I was 6 . I have a disability and having it makes me feel different and she was The 1 and Only who Always , Lifted my spirit 🥰 She knew how to care and love under any circumstance , And Truly was the Best in the world💜 Knowing that she's gone and will always be gone It Hurts and it's hard . People sometimes assume I have my mom still but I say to them truthfully , " my mom passed away " . I still have my dad but My mom was my RoModel One who gave me Courage to be Strong , That's why I know I'll have this disability forever But I'm Fighting till the End Just like She did , I'll miss her Forever but she's somewhere where there's no pain or tears which she deserves , That Happiness , Just like she gave others . Especially Her daughter .. Me .

Chloe Mendez - April 30, 2023 at 04:43 AM

SM

“ So sad, Lord comfort the family during this time , especially her precious babies.

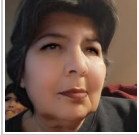


Stephanie Madrigal - April 16, 2016 at 10:01 PM

CM

Thank you So Much .. I'm one of her babies that were mentioned ,, I'm Chloe . It's Always been a Very Difficult Time Ever since the day she passed , She was Truly the Best Mother I could Ever have She will Always be Missed by me but she deserved the Happiness she has .

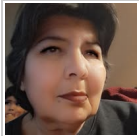
Chloe Mendez - April 30, 2023 at 04:52 AM



“ *Guadalupe Martinez lit a candle in memory of Elena Mendez*



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**Guadalupe Martinez** - April 16, 2016 at 10:19 AM



“ *my condolences to the family...What a beautiful Daughter of Christ..R.I.P. and may God embrace and comfort your love ones..*



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**Guadalupe Martinez** - April 16, 2016 at 10:19 AM

DT

“ *Elena was one of the sweetest and caring people I know. I remember when we attended New Harvest Christian Fellowship, she was just a teenager at the time but she would help me with my youngest son Paul and other kids as well, he was just a toddler but he really loved her. She will always be remembered. Such a sweet spirited young lady with a great love for the Lord and for others.*

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**Dee Trujillo** - April 16, 2016 at 09:15 AM

SC

“ *Sending our condolences to Elena's family. Her beautiful smile will never be forgotten!*



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**Sal & Marsha Cortez** - April 15, 2016 at 09:44 PM

MG

“ *Monica Garcia lit a candle in memory of Elena Mendez*



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**Monica Garcia** - April 14, 2016 at 04:50 PM

IE

“ *I will always remember her smile! She could light up a room with her presence. She was ALWAYS friendly and its pretty evident by how many people miss her already. My prayers to her children and family. Thank you Jesus for the promise a paradise.....we will see you again!*

*Love,  
Irie*

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**Irie Escarsega** - April 13, 2016 at 12:16 PM