



## Emma Cardenas Martinez

October 8, 1960 - December 9, 2025

We are sharing the sad news that Emma Martinez passed away on December 9, 2025, at the age of 65

Emma was born in Hayspring, Nebraska, on October 8, 1960. She moved to Farmersville, California at age five with her mother and sister, Sylvia, and graduated from Exeter Union High School in 1980.

In her early years, she spent time working in the fields, picking citrus and helping her parents run a crew since her mother was a crew boss for field work. She even drove a forklift in her teenage years.

After marrying, Emma moved to Woodlake and then to Arizona. While in Arizona, she traveled back and forth to Mexico, where she raised cattle and sheep. She moved back to California with family due to medical issues.

Even when she was in pain, Emma would always crack a joke or smile, finding joy in making others laugh. She enjoyed cooking, taking care of her family, family gatherings, dancing, and making jokes. She will be deeply missed.

Emma is preceded in death by her parents, Emma Gonzales and Armando Toscano Sr, and her sister, Annabelle Toscano. She is survived by four

siblings, Sylvia Gutierrez, Armando Toscano Jr., Adan Toscano, and Abigail Lopez, as well as many nieces and nephews whom she loved and loved her.

Viewing will be held 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Tuesday, December 30th, 2025 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia. Graveside services will be held 12:00 PM Wednesday, December 31st, 2025 at Exeter District Cemetery, 719 E. Marinette Ave., Exeter.

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

# Previous Events

## Viewing

DEC **30**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

## Graveside

DEC **31**. 12:00 PM (PT)

Exeter District Cemetery  
719 E. Marinette Ave.  
Exeter, CA 93221

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Emma Cardenas Martinez*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - December 29, 2025 at 05:43 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Emma Cardenas Martinez*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - December 29, 2025 at 04:30 PM



“ *Rachel Gonzales Perez lit a candle in memory of Emma Martinez*



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**Rachel Gonzales Perez** - December 26, 2025 at 09:29 PM

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“ Emma was my childhood friend all thru Elementary school up to eight grade, we always walked to school together and hung out along with all our other neighbors on N. Shasta as well as many others at school. Many times we would stop at Fred's to get some snacks before school and talk with Fred sometimes he'd say get what you want and we did. She was so kind, nice and we were always laughing or saying something funny. We always had a great time. I will always remember and miss her. My condolences to all her family at this hard time and May God bless you all.

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**Rachel Gonzales Perez** - December 26, 2025 at 09:28 PM