



George Frederick Sell

April 9, 1942 - October 24, 2025

George Frederick Sell, age 83, peacefully fell asleep in the arms of the Lord on October 24, 2025. Born April 9, 1942, in Chicago, Illinois to George Arthur and Virginia Clara Sell. George grew up in Bensenville, Illinois alongside his sisters, Carol and Lorna.

George is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Carole (ne'e Benson) their sons, Jonathan and Paul; and grandchildren Maya, Ava, Michael & Stephanie who brought him endless joy.

In 1962 George met the love of his life, Carole Ann Benson. It wasn't a romantic first meeting. George always says, "You could hear a pin drop" which meant they met at a bowling alley. It was a chance encounter that turned into a lifetime of love. They married in 1965 and built a beautiful life together filled with faith, family and adventure.

George dropped out of college in Galesburg, Illinois to earn some money but Uncle Sam had other plans. George was drafted into the Army and after basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky was stationed at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland.

George did go back to college after his honorable discharge from service and earned his BA in Business enjoying a long career as an insurance underwriter. He loved traveling, hiking and exploring God's creation, proudly hiking 642 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail. He was curious of the High Pointers Club and

the goal of its members to climb to the highest point in every state. He was proud to make it, on his own (Carole was with for a few of them) to 27 state high points. .

A man of deep faith, George shared his gifts through church music, Bible studies and service to others. He will be remembered for his kindness, humor, storytelling, and unwavering love of his family.

A memorial service is planned for December 13th at 11:00 am. at Grace Lutheran Church, 1111 S Conyer, Visalia with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Grace Lutheran Church or Grace LWML (Lutheran Women in Mission).

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

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
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