



## Gilbert Richard Duyst

November 9, 1939 - January 28, 2016

Gilbert Richard Duyst passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 28, 2016, at the age of 76 while surrounded by his wife and loving family. Gilbert was born to Ida and Reinier Duyst on November 9, 1939 in Hanford, California, where he grew up and graduated from Hanford High School in 1957. Gilbert was an outstanding athlete in both basketball and football, and went on to play for Porterville and Bakersfield college. He married Dorothy Meling from Visalia, California on November 18, 1961 and has shared 54 wonderful years with the love of his life who remained by his side until his last breath. Gilbert worked very hard and eventually was able to purchase a Mobil and then a Chevron service station on Lovers Lane in Visalia in 1967. In time he was able to work beside both his sons teaching them the business. He also loved farming his citrus ranches in the Ivanhoe area. His children and grandchildren could always find Papa in the stands cheering them on no matter where the game, rodeo or horse show. Gilbert will be missed greatly by his family, friends and the community.

Gilbert was preceded in death by two children, Cindy Duyst and Michael Duyst; his sister Joanne Duyst, and his parents. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Duyst, a daughter Linda Duyst Lawrence and her husband Phillip Lawrence, his sons Rick Duyst and Kevin Duyst and his wife Martha Duyst, and his daughter-in-law Jennifer Duyst. He also is survived by nine Grandchildren, Amanda and Justin Lawrence, Zachary, Cambria, Rodney and Danielle Duyst, and Garrett, Michael and Matthew Duyst; and two sisters Grace Byl and Louise Dean.

Viewing will be available from on from 4-8 pm on Monday February 8, 2016. A memorial service to celebrate Gilbert's life will be held on Tuesday February 9, 2016 at 11 a.m. at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel at 127 E. Caldwell, Visalia, Ca. Burial will follow at Lindsay Cemetery.

SURVIVED BY:

PRECEDED IN DEATH BY:

VISITATION WILL BEGIN: at 4 PM till 8 PM on Monday, February 08, 2016 at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel.

SERVICES: a funeral service will be held at 11 AM on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel.

BURIAL WILL BE AT: Lindsay Cemetery

A memorial tribute may be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillard.com](http://www.salseranddillard.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Lindsay Public Cemetery

639 S Foothill Ave  
Lindsay, CA 93247

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 8. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

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

## Service

FEB 9. 11:00 AM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall

PT

“ To All of the Duyst family:

*My prayers & thoughts are with all of you. Knowing your family all these years that Kevin & Jeff have been friends hold lots of memories. Gil & Dorothy always made me feel so welcome in their home. So sorry I was not able to make it to the sevices. I will always remember Gil's smile!*

*Sincerely,  
Pam Turner*

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**Pam Turner** - February 10, 2016 at 02:48 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gilbert Richard Duyst.



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February 08, 2016 at 06:50 PM

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“ Love you uncle Gil. Give everyone in heaven our love.

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**Rachael** - February 07, 2016 at 05:17 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gilbert Richard Duyst.*



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February 03, 2016 at 10:38 PM



“ *Gil Duyst was a wonderful loving husband and father. There are so many great memories especially those of our horse show days at Riata Ranch. You could always count on the Duyst family to be there cheering everyone on. Those were the days. Such wonderful memories. May God bless and hold the family in comfort ....such a wonderful man. I'm keeping you all in thoughts and prayers.*



*Sincerely,  
Jennifer Welch Ncioholson*

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**Jennifer Nicholson** - February 03, 2016 at 10:52 AM



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**hollie giacone** - February 03, 2016 at 10:42 AM



*God I love this picture! thank you Son* ❤️

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**Linda Buffy Lawrence** - February 03, 2016 at 05:03 PM

HG

“ We will always admire his love & devotion for his family. He will be greatly missed.

*The Giacone Family*

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**hollie giacone** - February 03, 2016 at 10:39 AM

KP

“ Gil was one of a kind! He was my biggest fan, always standing by the arena to help out with the horses, posture, or just cheering us on. He was so much like my own father and would keeps us all laughing. Gil had so much personality, dressing up like a baby while riding on a horse in a costume class at the ranch or making sure we were ready for each horse show. Gil will be truly missed, when I saw him a few years ago and was having health issues he sat at the dinner table joking and making us laugh. We will all see you again one day in heaven. Dorothy and Buffy I love you both and wish I could be there for you both.

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**Kathy Tarver Pendergraft** - February 03, 2016 at 07:09 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gilbert Richard Duyst.



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February 02, 2016 at 09:50 AM

KM

“ My dear Mr. Duyst,  
You were a ray of sunshine, and dearly loved by all on St. 1  
I am so thankful for the time I got to care for you and be around you,  
you knew how to make us girls laugh and enjoy our time here. You  
will never be forgotten, rest in peace Gil.  
Your so handsome,  
Krystal

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**Krystal Murch** - January 30, 2016 at 05:25 PM

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Krystal we can't thank and love you enough ❤️

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**LindaLawrence** - February 03, 2016 at 05:04 PM

MH

“ Gil ,  
Your going to be missed by so many people. It hasnt even been a  
week and I miss you so much. It was a joy being part of your life  
and team of CNA's who got to care for you. You light up the halls  
with your smile and you always brightened my day. Miss you Mr.  
Duyst

With Love , Megan

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**megan Halliwell** - January 30, 2016 at 05:19 PM

LJ

“ It was such an honor to care for my Pal Gil. He was a very special man with a wonderful sense of humor he kept us laughing! Gil was a lucky man, his wife Dorthy was at his side everyday. When he would see her walking his direction he lite up. He spoke so often of his love for her and their life together.

My thoughts and prayers go out to all of those who loved and cared for Gil. He will be forever missed.

Laura James aka "Gloria"



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**Laura James** - January 30, 2016 at 05:08 PM

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“ Gilbert was a joy to be around and i'm very grateful for the time i got to spend with him and care for him. He was truly a blessing to us. He will be missed dearly. Condolences to the family from all of our hearts here at Redwood Springs.

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**Christine** - January 30, 2016 at 05:00 PM