



## Gloria Dolores Cardenas

September 25, 1941 - January 21, 2021

Gloria Dolores Leon Cardenas of Visalia, CA passed away January 21, 2021 at the age of 79. With her daughters by her side and grandchildren, great-grandchildren, niece and brother with her in spirit, she took her final breath and was taken to her eternal home. Gloria was born to the late Efren and Josephine (Rubio) Leon on September 25, 1941 in Woodlake, CA. Gloria was the oldest of eight children and was always willing to help her brothers and sister whenever she could. She graduated from Woodlake High School in 1960. In 1961, Gloria married the late Marcelino Moreno Cardenas in Woodlake, Ca and started her family. Her daily life consisted of taking care of her family, her home, those she loved and working seasonally in local packinghouses. Gloria moved to Bakersfield, CA in 1993 where she worked as a self-employed housekeeper until her retirement in 2005. Upon retiring, Gloria moved back to Woodlake so she could continue to help her family that she loved so much. In 2015 she moved for the last time to Visalia, CA. Gloria loved traveling, camping, gardening and Mariachi music. She loved dancing, cooking and helping her family. Her family was her priority and she loved them all so much. She also loved her fur baby Mitzy. Her family will miss her delicious homemade tortillas. Gloria was preceded in death by her parents Efren and Josephine Leon, son Patrick Cardenas, brothers James, Gary and Gilbert Leon. She leaves to carry on her memory her son Richard Cardenas, daughters Michelle Cardenas Turner (Jeremy) and Erica Cardenas Cano. Grandchildren Roxanne Cardenas, Matthew Cardenas, Aaron Cardenas,

Alyssa Cano, Brooke Turner and Isaiah Cano. Great-grandchildren Landon Lavish, Davian Cardenas and Miarose Cardenas. She is also survived by brothers Edward "Beanie" Leon, Ruben (Jennie) Leon, Richard (Olivia) Leon, and sister Elizabeth (Tony) Valero and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and countless friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 2. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

## Rosary

MAR 2. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

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127 E. Caldwell Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93277

## Memorial Mass

MAR 3. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
608 N. Church Street  
Visalia, CA 93291

## Graveside

MAR 3. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salsler & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Gloria Dolores Cardenas*



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**Salsler & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - March 02, 2021 at 08:03 PM

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“ *You are missed, such a beautiful lady always kind, always smiling, Rest in peace Gloria.  
Carlos & Lupe Araiza*

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**Lupe Araiza** - March 03, 2021 at 11:50 AM

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“ *Thank you for sharing your mom with us for so many years. She was an awesome care giver for our three children when they were young. They still consider her their grandmother and we all miss her terribly. I remember one weekend when Jacob was still a baby, he was getting angry with me because I couldn't understand what he wanted. It took me a couple of hours to realize sweet Gloria was teaching him Spanish. All three kids loved watching her "bellas" with her and especially loved when she would bring Matthew or the "karate" girls with her. We are so grateful to have known her and experienced her gentle spirit and Christian heart. We love you Grandma Gloria!*

*Harvey, Susie, Rylee, Jesse and "Jakey" Campbell*

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**Susanne C Campbell** - March 02, 2021 at 11:12 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Gloria Dolores Cardenas.*



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February 24, 2021 at 04:34 PM



“ *I always enjoyed talking to my Cousin Gloria, she was very funny and lively. She always seem to be happy. I remember when she was one of the family members who always came by and sat with Mom. She was a survivor, she had many ups and downs in her life, but she had her smile. I will miss her. May God bless her soul.*

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**Lorraine Aguirre-Coray** - February 24, 2021 at 03:05 PM