



## James Steven Kelly

April 18, 1956 - March 13, 2025

James Steven Kelly was born on April 18, 1956 to Marvin and Frances Kelly in Orange, California. James passed peacefully in his sleep on March 13, 2025 in Visalia, California.

James moved to Tulare County with his family and spent his childhood in Dinuba, CA where he grew up with siblings Nancy Stovall (Phil), Tom Kelly, Wesley Kelly, Philip Kelly, Susan Alexander (Chris) and predeceased by brother, Glenn Kelly. James graduated from Dinuba High School in 1974. He married, moved to Visalia, California and was blessed with four children, whom he loved: Amber Smith (Steve), Meghan Tierse, Katelyn Roubos (John) and Stephen Kelly (Madison). He had eight grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, Teri Kelly, Stepchildren Daniel Rainwater, Matthew Rainwater (Victoria), Heather Westbrook (Kevin) and 6 step grandchildren.

James owned and operated Visalia Mattress Factory for 38 years and spent his later working years as a grocery clerk for Foods Co in Hanford, California,. James retired in 2022 and he and wife Teri enjoyed travels to Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming and many National Parks and repeat visits to our favorites South Dakota and Laughlin, Nevada.

At James' request, no services will be held. Gifts in his memory can be directed to Tunnels to Towers Foundation or your favorite charity.

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).

# Tribute Wall

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“ I grew up around the corner in the country by Jim. I was a year behind him in school. I remember playing football in the fog in the big yard at the Kelly's during our HS days. The group of buddies often played board games and later cards well into our adult years. Every time I drive past the plums on the corner of 96 and 408 I think of Jim. Good memories from my youth.

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**Stan Davis** - March 30, 2025 at 06:04 PM

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*Missing you more each and every day. Loved you then, love you now and will forever more.*

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**Teri Kelly** - August 14, 2025 at 08:01 PM