



Joel Steven Martin

June 16, 1954 - January 5, 2025

Joel "Steve" Martin, 70 of Visalia, California, died on January 05, 2025, in Visalia, California. Joel was born to Chester Virgil Lilburn Martin and Vera Mae Moody on June 16, 1954 in Visalia, California.

Steve grew up in Ivanhoe, attending high school Visalia where he played baseball, football and also participated in the band. At seventeen he joined the United States Army where he served in Germany.

He married Jennette (Turner) on Sunday, May 20, 1975, in Visalia, California, together they had 3 children: Carolyn, James and Thomas.

Steve worked as a truck driver for Viking Ready Mix for over a decade. But he was most proud of his work as a Reverend for the Pentecostal Church of God serving God for over 40 years.

Joel enjoyed playing guitar as well as hunting and fishing. Horse Corral and Stoney Creek were his favorite areas to dream of catching that trophy buck.

He is survived by three children, Thomas Martin (Sarah) of Visalia, CA, Carolyn Brown (Mike), and James Martin (Kelli); ten grandchildren, Dillon Rogers (Jordin), Naomi Rogers (Frank), Derek Brown, Kelsey Makert (Tyler), Abigail Martin, Taytum Martin, Brandon Kranz, Nicole Martin, ShyAnn Caudle,

and LeeAnn Martin; one sister, Kimberly Alexander (Rod); and his 4 Great-Grandchildren, and Numerous Nieces and Nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Chester Virgil Lilburn and Vera Mae Martin, his wife, Jennette, one grandchild, Landen Martin and one brother, Michael Martin.

Joel will truly be missed by all.

A Graveside Service will be held at 10am, on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at Visalia District Cemetery, 1300 W Goshen Ave, Visalia, Ca 93291.

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

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB **19**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery
1300 W Goshen Ave
Visalia, CA 93291