



Joseph Vierra Silva, Jr.

October 1, 1943 - March 16, 2025

It is with great sadness that the family of Joseph Vierra Silva Jr., 81 of Visalia, California, passed away into the loving arms of Jesus, his Lord and Savior on March 16, 2025. Joe was born to Joseph Vierra Silva Sr. and Vera (Borges) on October 1, 1943 in Tulare, California.

Joe grew up in Tulare, California where he attended and graduated from Tulare Union High School. He enjoyed riding motorcycles with his brothers and friends and would sometimes get into a little mischief in his younger years.

He married Nancy Sue (Hunnicuttt) on March 20, 1965, in Las Vegas, NV. Together they raised two wonderful children, Dennis, and Cristi. Joe shared his love of hunting with his family and often went on day trips with their hunting dog Suzie leading the way. He enjoyed taking the family over to Pismo, or up to the Sequoia National Forest to enjoy the great outdoors. Joe also enjoyed fishing, shooting targets with his guns, and could often be found standing over the Weber barbequing for the family. Often referred to as "MacGyver" he could build anything, fix anything, and pretty much do anything that most people wouldn't dare to attempt. He had a great sense of humor and always found a way to make people laugh.

Joe retired from Southern California Edison after 29 years of service where he began his career as a Lineman and was later promoted to Senior Patrolman. His children have fond memories of listening to Dad's funny stories about days with the guys at work and the adventures they shared. The guys he grew to love.

In recent years, Joe was an integral part of the Tulare Healing Rooms, where he loved praying for people and seeing them healed. His love for the Word of God was very evident as he would share it with many, many people over the years. He was such an encourager to the many that he talked to. He studied the bible cover to cover and always sought to understand the deep love of God, which allowed him to share that with others. He had great compassion for the hurting and was never judgmental toward anyone. He was

honest and lived his life with the utmost integrity.

Joe will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Nancy, just 4 days short of their 60th Anniversary, and his children: Dennis Silva (wife Pamela) and Cristi Hart. Four grandchildren, Karen Anderson (husband Bill), Brendan Silva (wife Kayla), Claire Hart and James Hart, and three Great-grandchildren, Christopher Anderson, Nicholas Anderson, and Damon Joseph Silva. He was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Vera Silva, and his brothers Robert Silva and Leroy Silva.

Flowers and gifts are not necessary. Instead, please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

A Memorial Service and Luncheon catered by Fugazzi's will be held at 11:00 AM, Saturday May 3, 2025 at Salser and Dillard Event Center, 135 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia.

Please RSVP for the luncheon to rsvp4joesilva@gmail.com

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

Previous Events

Memorial

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Life Event Center
135 E Caldwell Ave
Visalia, CA 93277

Reception

MAY 3. 11:30 AM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Joseph Vierra Silva, Jr.*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - May 02, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Joseph Vierra Silva, Jr.*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - April 09, 2025 at 04:09 PM

LB

“ *Thank you Jesus for our dear brother Joe our deepest condolences to Nancy and Family Leon and Natalie Boushee*

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PK

“ *Dear Nancy, Dennis & Christi, I'm sorry for your loss. May your love & faith help you through this time of sorrow.*
Cousin Pat

Pat Kray - April 08, 2025 at 02:35 PM