



## Leonard Joseph Ferreira

November 26, 1936 - January 7, 2025

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Leonard Joseph Ferreira, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother and cherished friend. Leonard passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on January 7, 2025, at the age of 88.

Born in Traver, California to Joe P. and Alice Ferreira, Leonard was a lifelong resident of Tulare County. He grew up working on his family's dairy and attended local schools before graduating from Mt. Whitney High School in 1955. After high school, Leonard pursued a career in rodeo where he participated in many events including several National Finals Rodeos. During that time, Leonard met the love of his life, Betty, in 1960. They were married 64 wonderful years and raised three sons.

In the early 1970's Leonard started Ferreira Hay and Trucking Company which became very successful for many years. Leonard became an avid golfer and was a member of the Visalia Country Club for over 40 years. He enjoyed telling stories and loved reminiscing about his past adventures. Everyone who knew Leonard loved him.

Leonard is survived by his loving wife Betty; sister Ruby Ritchie; sons Greg, Ritchie and Rodney; grandchildren AJ, Lisa, Paige, Shelby, Quinn and Khloe; and 7 great grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at the Visalia Public Cemetery on Friday, January 24, 2025 at 10:00 AM, with a Celebration of Life to follow at The Hyde (former Lamp Liter Inn) at 12:00 PM.

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).

# Previous Events

## Graveside

JAN 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery  
1300 W Goshen Ave  
Visalia, CA 93291

## Celebration of Life

JAN 24. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Lamp Litter Inn  
3300 West Mineral King  
Visalia, CA 93291  
(559) 732-4511  
<http://lampliter.net/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Leonard Joseph Ferreira*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - January 23, 2025 at 10:36 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.

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January 23, 2025 at 04:35 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.*



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January 23, 2025 at 04:35 PM



“ *sam miller and family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.*



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**sam miller and family** - January 21, 2025 at 12:17 PM

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“ sam miller and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.

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**sam miller and family** - January 21, 2025 at 12:17 PM

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“ Love, Todd & Angela Carpenter purchased the *Elegance Gift Basket* for the family of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.



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**Love, Todd & Angela Carpenter** - January 16, 2025 at 03:49 AM

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“ Love, Todd & Angela Carpenter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.

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**Love, Todd & Angela Carpenter** - January 16, 2025 at 03:49 AM

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“ Todd and Angela Carpenter & Family purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.



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**Todd and Angela Carpenter & Family** - January 16, 2025 at 03:34 AM

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“ *Todd and Angela Carpenter & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leonard Joseph Ferreira.*

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**Todd and Angela Carpenter & Family** - January 16, 2025 at 03:34 AM