



## Linda Lee Cardoza

July 6, 1948 - February 23, 2020

It is with great sadness that the family of Linda Lee Cardoza announce her passing on Sunday, February 23, 2020 at the age of 71 years.

Linda was born on July 6, 1948 in Tulare, CA to Frank A. Martin and Mary Lurdes Martin. She was one of four children and the only daughter. Linda grew up in Tulare on the family dairy and graduated from Tulare Union High School in 1966. Throughout her childhood she was involved in the Portuguese Celebrations. On October 9, 1970 she married her husband, Franklin Cardoza, and they moved to Visalia. Together they had four children. Throughout her life she was a homemaker, a bank teller, and a teacher's aide. After obtaining her Associates of Science degree in Child Development from College of the Sequoias in 2008, she started her career as a Preschool Teacher. She enjoyed working at Mineral King Elementary School, Mt. Whitney High School, Sundale Preschool, and Liberty Preschool.

In addition, she generously gave her time volunteering while her children were in school; most notably as a member of the Golden West Band Boosters for 14 consecutive years. Many band members knew her as "Mom" because she cooked and served food, helped out with uniforms, and cheered everyone on. She never missed a sporting event, a band review, an awards ceremony, or any other event her children were a part of. As the years progressed, Linda found time to enjoy her own hobbies such as bunco, karaoke, and spontaneous trips to the casinos with her friends and family. Linda always had

a joy for life and never missed a chance to laugh, dance, or just have fun! As her family grew, Linda's greatest joy was her grandchildren. She was proud to be called "Vava" and continued to nurture and support all of her grandchildren in their many endeavors by showing up to cheer them on as well. Her love for them knew no bounds, and anyone that knew Linda knew how much she cherished them. Linda will be lovingly remembered by her husband, Franklin, with whom she would have celebrated 50 years of marriage this year. She will be greatly missed by her children Mary (Kenny) Hildebrand, Franklin (Kara), Deborah, and David (Jessica), by her six grandchildren, Aidan, Anthony, Ava, Hazel, Raquel, and Aliya, and also her brothers and sisters-in-law Frank & Janet Martin, Stan & Helen Martin, and Wayne & Sandi Martin.

A viewing will be held on Monday, March 2, from 4-7pm (Rosary @ 6pm) at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave, Visalia. Mass of Christian burial will be on Tuesday, March 3, at 10am at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 608 N. Church Street, Visalia, followed by gravesite services at Visalia Cemetery, 1300 W. Goshen Ave, Visalia.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

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

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

## Rosary

MAR 2. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

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

## Graveside

MAR 3. 11:15 AM - 11:45 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery  
1300 W Goshen Ave  
Visalia, CA 93291

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Linda Lee Cardoza*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - February 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Frank And Anna Sa lit a candle in memory of Linda Lee Cardoza*



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**frank and anna Sa** - March 02, 2020 at 11:26 AM

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“ *Love from Steve, Melinda, and sons. purchased the Bright and Beautiful Spray for the family of Linda Lee Cardoza.*



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**Love from Steve, Melinda, and sons.** - March 01, 2020 at 10:57 PM

JF

“ Jessica Vasques and Evelyn Fuentes purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Linda Lee Cardoza.



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**Jessica Vasques and Evelyn Fuentes** - March 01, 2020 at 05:52 PM

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“ Tony & Charlotte Portugal purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Linda Lee Cardoza.



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**Tony & Charlotte Portugal** - March 01, 2020 at 02:38 PM

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“ My condolences to the Franklin Cardoza family. I remember Linda from many years back when we were very young and we worked with our UPPEC youth....me with Visalia and Linda with Tulare youth. I remember her mom, Lourdes, who was always gracious to me. I shall miss not seeing Linda around town. May she rest in peace and be received into God's realm of angels 🙏🙏🙏. Nancy Cunha

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**Nancy Cunha** - February 29, 2020 at 12:37 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Linda Lee Cardoza.



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February 26, 2020 at 03:10 PM

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“ Dear Cardoza & Martin family, our thoughts & prayers go out to you all. Have comfort knowing Linda was greeted & is with her dad (uncle Frank) & her mom (aunt Lurdes) & her cousin (my dad) Manuel Nunes Jr.. Linda will always be with you all in spirit & memories. With much love from your cousins, Clara & Joe Roque

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**Clara & Joe Roque** - February 24, 2020 at 09:57 PM