



Louie Steve Romanazzi

October 15, 1930 - May 5, 2026

Louie Steve Romanazzi passed away at the age of 95 on May 5, 2026, at The Open Arms House in Visalia, California. A graveside service will be held at Visalia Cemetery on Friday, May 22, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Louie was born on October 15, 1930, in Visalia, California at 305 N. Hall Street. He was one of six children born to Italian immigrants, Giuseppe and Anna Romanazzi. Except for a brief time living in Morro Bay and serving in Germany with the United States Army, Louie spent his entire life in the Visalia community he loved.

From an early age, Louie learned the value of hard work while helping his family on the ranch. He often shared stories of the chores, adventures, and mischief he and his brother Tony experienced growing up together. Louie was happiest dressed in blue jeans, a white T shirt, and bare feet, a simple uniform he preferred throughout his life.

In 1964, Louie married the love of his life, Mildred (Honley) Patterson. They instantly became a family of four with her sons, Dana Patterson and Bryan Patterson. Together they later welcomed son Greg Romanazzi and daughter Ronda (Romanazzi) Cashiola.

Louie worked many jobs throughout his life and took pride in every one of

them. He worked at a plumbing supply business in Morro Bay, an electrical distributor, farmed his own properties, and eventually retired as the electrical foreman for Visalia Unified School District. Whether wiring a building, repairing plumbing, building something from scratch, or helping a friend solve a problem, Louie was the kind of man who could fix almost anything and was always willing to lend a hand.

Louie and Mildred were longtime active members of the local Sons of Italy chapter. Together they built a home centered on family, hospitality, and food. Louie especially loved cooking for family and friends, and his homemade bread became legendary among those fortunate enough to gather around his table.

Although known for his tireless work ethic, Louie never lost his sense of humor. He loved practical jokes, teasing friends, and finding reasons to laugh. His quick wit, generous spirit, and ability to make others smile left a lasting impression on everyone who knew him. He was a man who believed that life was meant to be lived through work, service, laughter, and family.

Louie is survived by his sister, Angie Buchholz; his children, Bryan Patterson, Greg Romanazzi, and Ronda Cashiola; ten grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Mildred, his son Dana Patterson, and four of his siblings, (Geno, Matteo, Angelo and Antonio).

The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to the caregivers and staff at Open Arms House for the kindness and compassion shown to Louie during his final days.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Open Arms House in honor of Louie and Mildred Romanazzi.

Graveside services will be held 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Friday, May 22nd, 2026

at Visalia District Cemetery, 1300 W Goshen Ave, Visalia.

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

Upcoming Events

Graveside

MAY **22**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery
1300 W Goshen Ave
Visalia, CA 93291

Tribute Wall

BP

“ Bryan Patterson purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Louie Steve Romanazzi.



Bryan Patterson - Yesterday at 03:57 PM

BP

“ Bryan Patterson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louie Steve Romanazzi.

Bryan Patterson - Yesterday at 03:57 PM

AJ

“ Anna J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louie Steve Romanazzi.

Anna J. - Yesterday at 11:46 AM

LG

“ Leon G. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Louie Steve Romanazzi.

Leon G. - Yesterday at 11:25 AM