



Marie Therese Ritter

February 21, 1940 - May 25, 2024

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Marie Ritter who passed away peacefully on May 25, 2024 in Visalia, CA. She was 84 years of age.

Born Marie-Therese Ingardia February 21, 1940 in Tunisia (North Africa) the fourth of five children to Pietro and Gaetana Ingardia. The family immigrated to the United States in 1954.

Marie is survived by her husband Paul Ritter, children Michael, Danial, James, and Elizabeth, seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. Paul and Marie were married in 1965 in Southern California, raising a family there until moving to Visalia in 1983.

She is also survived by her brother Salvatore Ingardia. Marie was predeceased in death by her parents, brothers Joseph and Lorenzo, and sister Catarina.

Marie was active in the Catholic Church volunteering her talents to St. Barbara's Catholic School where her three sons attended in Southern California and then at George McCann Catholic School while Elizabeth was there. She had a great devotion to the Blessed Mother, giving much of her time to help orchestrate the Our Lady of Fatima Celebration for over 20 years. Marie also worked in the food service department at Visalia Unified School

District.

Viewing will be held 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Monday, June 17th, 2024 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia. Rosary will follow from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Mass of Christian Burial services will be held 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Tuesday, June 18th, 2024 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 608 N. Church Street, Visalia. Graveside services will be held 12:00 PM Tuesday, June 18th, 2024 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.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN 17. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

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127 E. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93277

Rosary

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Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 18. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

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

Graveside

JUN 18. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery
1300 W Goshen Ave
Visalia, CA 93291

Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Marie Therese Ritter*



Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel - June 14, 2024 at 01:25 PM

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“ *I had the honor of working with Marie for several years in food service at Golden West High School. She baked all the dessert for the lunch program for the five schools we cooked for. Imagine making cookies in the hundreds. She did her job with diligence and grace. We had a lot of good laughs and fun times at work and socially. Even though after retirement we lost touch I will always count her as one of my best working buddies. She was a good faithful friend.*

I am sorry for your loss.

Polly and Don Kelch

Polly KELCH - June 13, 2024 at 11:41 PM