



## Melvin Ford

January 19, 1952 - June 29, 2016

Melvin Lloyd Ford A.K.A "Papa"

Born January 19th 1952 in Tulare California, and entered Eternity June 29th 2016 at the age of 64.

Melvin was preceded in death by his father Edwin Frances Ford, his mother Minnie Pearl Harden and one brother James Brown.

He is survived by his brothers, Keith Ford of Tulare and Raymond Ford of Modesto; sisters Judy of Salem, Oregon and Ruby of Tulare; Ex-wife of 30 years Barbara Poulos; three children, Mark Ford, Marsha Hart, and Michael Ford; eight grandchildren, Brittany Hoisington, Sheila Hart, Kyle Ford, Alyssa Ford, Zackery Hart, Jaida Ford, Taylor Hart and Laney Rose Ford; two great grandchildren Gavin and Gage Hoisington.

Melvin grew up in Missouri and joined the United States Army. He proudly served his country from 1969-1970. He was an honest man who wasn't afraid to tell you exactly how it was, especially if he thought you needed to hear it. He was a proud American.

While he took pride in qualifying as an Expert Marksman in the Army nothing made him prouder then his expertise of being a Papa.

He loved the outdoors and everything about it. He loved playing baseball, riding motorcycles, fishing and shooting. But all of that paled to the love of spending time with his grandchildren.

A celebration of Life will be held Saturday, July 23rd, 2016. A memorial tribute may be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillard.com](http://www.salseranddillard.com)



# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mel was such a sweetheart I loved him with all my heart but learned his true love was his family and he was always trying to make up for the time he lost time in their lives so rest i peace knowng you were loved by many and will be missed we lost a great friend Debbie and family*

debbie - July 11, 2016 at 03:35 PM

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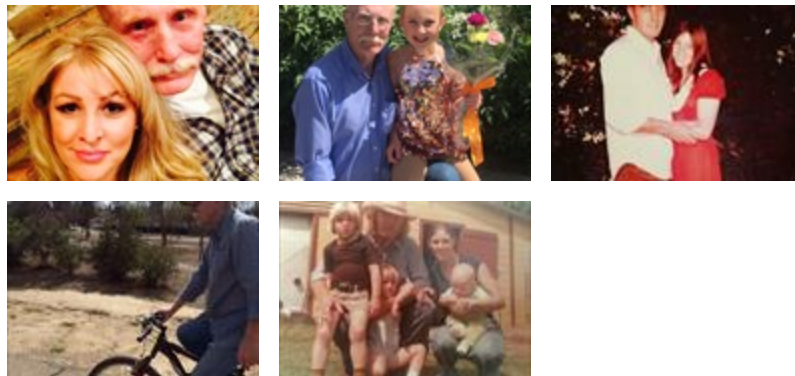
“ *Marsha Hart lit a candle in memory of Melvin Ford*



Marsha Hart - July 09, 2016 at 02:45 PM

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“ *12 files added to the tribute wall*



Marsha Hart - July 09, 2016 at 02:43 PM