



## Michael Anthony Martinez

November 24, 1966 - August 15, 2025

We are saddened to announce the sudden passing of our beloved father Michael (Mike) Martinez on Friday, August 15, 2025 at the age of 58. He was a leading Patriarch who loved spending time with family and friends as a Grandfather, Father, Uncle, Brother and Best Friend. He was an avid Raiders and Athletics fan watching as many games as possible, but nothing could match his love and passion watching his Grandkids playing sports and extracurricular activities. He was a graduate of Tulare Western High School when afterwards working several jobs as a Tow Truck Driver and Butcher until finding his passion in Construction. He loved to sit in his recliner watching the newest action movie with his Surround Sound System turned up so the house would vibrate from each explosion. He loved to participate and host family gatherings enjoying great food and time with friends and family being the life of the party.

He is survived by his spouse of 40 years Maria Silva; children Michael, Catrina, and Brittany; grandchildren Isabella, Mackenzie, Nathaniel, and Jordan; Daughter-in-Law Yesenia, Son-in-Laws Ismael and Marcelo; brothers Jack, Lawrence, Rick, Armando, Daniel, Robert; sisters Theresa, Susie, Mary, Angelina, Laura, Rosa, Anna; Father-in-Law Jose and many Uncles, Aunts, Nephews and Nieces. Preceded into Heaven by his son Christopher; granddaughter Harmony; Son-in-Law Erick; Mother Helen and Step-Father Nick.

Visitation will be held 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Wednesday, August 27th, 2025 at

Salser & Dillard Life Event Center, 135 E Caldwell Ave, Visalia. Rosary will follow at 6:00 PM. Mass of Christian Burial services will be held 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Thursday, August 28th, 2025 at St. Rita's Catholic Church, 954 S. O ST., Tulare. Celebration of Life at TDES Hall 515 N. I Street Tulare Ca, 93274. 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

## Visitation

AUG 27. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Life Event Center  
135 E Caldwell Ave  
Visalia, CA 93277

## Rosary

AUG 27. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Life Event Center  
135 E Caldwell Ave  
Visalia, CA 93277

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

St. Rita's Catholic Church  
954 S. O ST.  
Tulare, CA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Michael Anthony Martinez*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - August 27, 2025 at 04:05 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Anthony Martinez*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - August 26, 2025 at 06:20 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about the passing of Michael. I met him many years ago and ran into later in life. You are with God now, joining Nick and your son. Only God knows why this occurs. It must have been time. Let God comfort those you leave behind for in time you will all be together again.*

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**Andy Munoz** - August 29, 2025 at 12:35 PM

MS

“ *Maria S. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Michael Anthony Martinez.*



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**Maria S.** - August 26, 2025 at 08:47 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Martinez.*



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August 26, 2025 at 06:35 PM

AM

“ *Angelita Martinez lit a candle in memory of Michael Martinez*



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**Angelita Martinez** - August 21, 2025 at 06:51 PM

AM

“ Rest in Paradise, Brother 🙏  
I am so sorry you were so sick and so shocked you are gone. I will hold onto the good memories I have. You were an Amazing Husband, Father, Grandfather and Brother. You will be Missed but never Forgotten. Be Free and Fly High.  
I Love You Brother. 💙  
Your Lil Sis, Angelita



Angelita Martinez - August 21, 2025 at 06:49 PM

PM

Beautiful memory of your brother. I love the picture if you and Micheal together on one of our visits with him. Micheal will fly high and love his family from above. May you Rip. 🙏

Patricia Martinez - August 22, 2025 at 03:24 PM

MR

Never got to meet the man you grew up to be but I always remember the rugrat you were when you were small running around laughing. R.I.H. Michael 🙏🙏🙏 to the family

Maria Rojo - September 06, 2025 at 08:22 AM

PM

“ Micheal, your sister Angelita and I miss you very very much. It's wonderful to have memories of us and you, although we lived in different cities, we were always in contact either by phone or text message. I, also, remember the last time Angelita and I stopped to visit you in Tulare when you and I hugged. I told you, although I am not your biological Mother you will always be my son. You told me back "you have always been a Mom to me". I will cherish those words in my heart forever, son. Your sister Angelita has fond memories of you over the years. Especially when she took her sons swimming in your your swimming pool on a 4th of July, back in the day. Angelita loved you always. May you Rip son.💔🙏

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Patricia Martinez - August 21, 2025 at 04:21 PM

PM

“ Michael, it's so hard to believe you are gone. Your sister Angelita and I are still in shock. We both loved you very much. Angelita tried several times to reach you, to no avail. Thank you for always including your sister and I in your life. I remember the last time we stopp3d by your house, you were very happy to see us, as we were to see you. I member your Dad always told me stories of when you were a baby. He said he. Would drive you to San Jose Airport so you could watch the planes leave. That would make you sleepy. Thank you for always loving us son. Until we meet again, may you Rip🙏

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Patricia Martinez - August 21, 2025 at 01:39 AM

CC

“ *I miss you so much, Dad.*

*You taught us strength, love, and what it means to truly be there for one another. You protected us, provided for us, and loved us with your whole heart.*

*Your strength lives on in us. Everything you instilled in us resilience, loyalty, love helped us be there for you when it mattered most.*

*I'll miss your calls, especially the ones asking about dates or details for the grandkids' events. You always wanted to be there for them, and you showed up every single time you could. Your presence will be missed at every game, recital, and celebration. It just won't be the same without you.*

*Please keep watching over us and protecting us from heaven. I'll be looking for your signs I know you'll find a way to let us know you're near.*

*I love you forever, Dad.*

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**catrina chavez** - August 21, 2025 at 01:15 AM

PM

*Beautiful memory of your wonderful Dad. 🥰*

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**Patricia Martinez** - August 21, 2025 at 03:00 PM

GL

*So sorry for your loss liz..prayers for you and your family*

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**Gloria lobo** - August 25, 2025 at 04:02 AM

CC

“Dad thank you for teaching me so much in life. I know not a lot of people are as lucky as we are to have you so involved not only with us your kids but so involved with all your grandchildren. You were there for everything possible for all of us. I know it's never going to be the same without you here. Until we all meet again. Give my baby girl the biggest hug and kiss for me. 🙏👶



Catrina Chavez - August 20, 2025 at 11:08 PM

PM

Beautiful family. We love you ❤️ all.

Patricia Martinez - August 21, 2025 at 03:05 PM

AN

“Anna lit a candle in memory of Michael Martinez



Anna - August 20, 2025 at 09:09 PM

BR

“I still can't believe your gone dad I love you so much. I'm going to miss seeing you rocking on the recliner and yelling for the kids to come out the rooms and watch tv with you. I just miss you so much dad.



brittany - August 20, 2025 at 04:20 PM



*My sincerest condolences Brittany.*

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**Patricia Martinez** - August 21, 2025 at 12:50 PM