



Raymond Contreras Sr.

September 1, 1946 - June 13, 2014

W. Goshen Raymond Contreras Sr. – Age 67

Raymond Contreras Sr. died Friday, June 13, 2014 at the age of 67 after a long illness with his family by his side in Visalia, CA.

He was born September 1, 1946 in Hanford Ca. to Henry and Jesse Contreras.

He attended James Marshall Elementary, John.C. Fremont Jr. High, Fowler High School, and Fresno City College. Raymond was drafted into the United States Army in October, 1966; he did a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968 and was discharged on October, 1972. Raymond achieved the rank of SP5 E-5.

Raymond met his wife Yolanda Duran in elementary school and they started dating when Yolanda was in high school and married on May 24, 1969. To this union a son was born - Raymond Contreras Jr.

Raymond lived in San Diego CA, Fowler, CA, and after marriage Ray and Yolanda moved to San Jose, CA. In 1990 they moved to Visalia, CA.

Raymond enjoyed life; he was an avid sports fan of the San Francisco 49ers and the San Francisco Giants. He had a dedicated sports room in his home of

49ers and Giants memorabilia. He coached little league baseball and MJB basketball. Raymond loved to fish and enjoyed spending time with his family, loved to travel, especially to the beach and had a passion for cooking!

He is survived by his wife Yolanda, Son Ray Jr. (Corina), and 3 grandchildren (Christina Shannon, Melina Contreras, and Alonzo Contreras); three brothers Roy (Rita), Ernie (Becky) and John Contreras, five sisters (Carmen Gomez (Richard), Rosie Guerra, Rachel Lopez (Mike), Margie Reyes, & Ruby Parra); and his faithful friend dog (Cooper), along with a host of neices and nephews and other family members.

Raymond's parents preceded him in death along with a brother (Andy) and Sister (Joyce).

Arrangements are with Salser & Dillard Funeral Home - 127 E. Caldwell Ave. Visalia, CA 93277 - (559) 635-1144

Services are as follows:

Wednesday, June 18, 2014

Public Viewing – 4 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Rosary Service –7 p.m.

Thursday, June 19, 2014

Funeral Services – St. Mary's Catholic Church 10:30 a.m. Interment immediately following - Visalia Public Cemetery 1300 Ave.

Cemetery Details

Visalia Public Cemetery

1300 W. Goshen Ave.
Visalia, CA 93291
visaliacemetery@aol.com
<http://www.visaliacem.org/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
127 E. Caldwell Ave
Visalia, CA 93277
(559) 635-1144
info@salseranddillard.com
<https://www.salseranddillard.com>

Rosary

JUN 18. 7:00 PM (PT)

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Funeral Mass

JUN **19**. 10:30 AM (PT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church- Visalia, CA
608 N. Church Street
Visalia, CA 93291
<http://tccov.org/st-marys/>

Tribute Wall

JH

“ Raymond was my best friend growing up and I wish I could have been closer in his final years.

john hibben - September 25, 2016 at 07:40 PM

JD

“ Raymond, the best man in our wedding, uncle to our girls, brother-in-law. We enjoyed your company each and every time we were together. Going to softball games, trips to the coast, in the back yard watching fireworks on 4th of July, Christmas dinners, just to name a few! We will always treasure the time we had with you. We miss and love you dearly!

Until we meet again.....Johnny and Janie

Janie Duran - June 24, 2014 at 05:26 PM

SM

“ Raymond you will be truly missed by all. We will miss your gentle smile, generous heart, forever positive attitude. We grew up together and went on to be more than just in laws...we became great friends. You baptized two of my sons, were a fantastic father and spoiled my sister. We will cherish all the beautiful memories we have of you....there were certainly many...we love you Ray!!

*Your Sister-in-Law,
Susie*

susan morado - June 24, 2014 at 01:48 PM

BM

“ 1 file added to the album *Raymond Contreras Sr.*



Bucky Morado - June 22, 2014 at 05:45 PM

JB

Beautiful video! Miss him more!

Jesse & Anne Balderas - June 24, 2014 at 03:32 PM

SH

Awesome memories. He was a true man in every sense of the word. Blessings to you all! Great job Bucky, you captured it all!!

Steve Hilliard - June 25, 2014 at 01:01 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness* was purchased for the family of Raymond Contreras Sr..



June 19, 2014 at 12:13 AM



“ *Care and Compassion Spray* was purchased for the family of Raymond Contreras Sr..



June 18, 2014 at 10:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Raymond Contreras Sr..*



June 17, 2014 at 12:22 PM