



Robert F. Cross III

March 25, 1941 - December 22, 2016

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Robert F. Cross III , 75, passed away on December 22, 2016 in Visalia, CA.

He was the

husband of Virginia Cross. They shared 22 years of marriage together.

Born in Visalia, CA he was the son of Dorothy and Robert F. Cross Jr. He

served our country in

the Army National Guard and retired after 20 years of service.

Bob enjoyed being around family and grandchildren. He loved meeting new people and enjoyed

his many friendships. He will be remembered for his dry sense of humor, caring heart and truly

loving generosity.

He is survived by his wife Virginia Cross, daughter Tammy Esparza (Ruben), grandchildren

Robert Araiza, Leticia Marquez, Journey Stickel, Benjamin Marquez, Ruben Esparza III, and

Rudy Esparza, siblings Jane Shepherd (Avrum) and William Cross (Peggy), and many nieces

and nephews. He was predeceased by his daughter Deanna Stickel and nephew Aaron

Shepherd.

A Rosary/Memorial service will be held on Friday December 30, at 6:00 pm at
Salser & Dillard

Funeral Chapel 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia, CA. A memorial reception will
be held on

Saturday December 31, at 3:00 pm at Anthony Community Center 345 N.
Jacob St., Visalia,

CA. Condolences can be made to www.salseranddillard.com

Previous Events

Gathering

DEC **30**. 6:00 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

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Tribute Wall

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“ James Pixley lit a candle in memory of Robert F. Cross III



James Pixley - December 27, 2016 at 12:10 AM

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“ I first met Bob when I came to Visalia back in 1975. Back then, CB radio was 'hot,' and a lot of folks found it to be fun and useful, at the same time. Bob and I became fast friends, and he was active in REACT, in Visalia. Bob was a very close friend, and spent a lot of time at our place having fun with my kids and generally just 'hanging out.' I left Visalia in December of 1980, but Bob and I remained friends up until the very end. I was able to come visit Bob, from time-to-time, and we spend, literally, thousands of hours on the phone in the past 36 years! At first, Bob seemed aloof and cynical, but it was only his veneer. Over the subsequent years I got to see and love the 'inside' of Bob, and he was a great man with a huge heart ... and his emotions were deep, real and well-placed. I will miss him sorely, but I know we will see each other again. I am thankful for the times we had and am very thankful that 'fate' put us in the 'best of friends' boat. And, my sincere condolences to Ginny, and to all of Bob's family. My life was enriched by knowing Bob, and his absence leaves quite a void to fill.

James Pixley - December 27, 2016 at 12:09 AM