



## Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr.

July 21, 1948 - July 10, 2024

Rodolfo "Rudy" Eloy Marquez Sr. was a caring husband, father, papa (gran-papa), brother, Tio, and friend. Rudy passed away peacefully in his home surrounded by his loved ones on July 10th, 2024 at age 75.

He was born to Margarito and Hila Marquez in Santa Maria CA on July 21st, 1948. Rudy was beloved by many and the youngest sibling of 5 brothers (Frank, Leo, Richard, Johnny, and Manuel) and 4 sisters (Mercy, Tubby, Edilia, and Yolanda). He enjoyed spending quality time with his family, friends, and neighbors. Growing up in Goshen, CA he met his wife, Lillian Pena and they shared 42 beautiful years loving one another. Together they had 7 children: Melissa, Evelyn, Monica, Robert, Randy, Rudy Jr., and Ruben.

Rudy was drafted to fight during the Vietnam War from 1969 to 1970, becoming a hero to all his kids. Rudy retired as a mechanic warehouse manager. He enjoyed tinkering with everything and helping anyone with auto mechanics, construction work, or painting holiday window displays. If you could name it he was there to help. He was a devoted family man who enjoyed barbecuing, family gatherings, and dancing the night away. He was a die-hard Raider fan who took pride in being a part of the Tulare/Kings County Raiders booster club for 28 years, known as the heartland of the Raider Nation.

Rudy was preceded in death by his parents, 5 brothers, 3 sisters, his wife (Lillian), daughter (Melissa), and son (Robert).

He is survived by his children; Evelyn, Monica, Randy (Trisha), Rudy Jr., and Ruben; 15 grandchildren; Drew, Olivia, Chelsea, Destinee, Joe, Bella, Randy, Gavin, Jeremiah, Melissa, Rudy III, Robert Jr., Vanessa, Isaiah, and Kaiden; 6 great-grandkids; Aliza, Jason, Blake, Kassandra, Ariel, and Hayden. Rudy has touched many lives and will forever be remembered by Theresa, Johnny, Yvette, and Nikolina's families; numerous nieces, nephews, extended loved ones, and friends.

Viewing will be held 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Thursday, July 25th, 2024 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia. Rosary will follow from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Homily of Prayers services will be held 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Friday, July 26th, 2024 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Graveside services will be held 10:00 AM Friday, July 26th, 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](http://www.salseranddillard.com).

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUL 25. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel  
127 E. Caldwell Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93277

## Rosary

JUL 25. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel  
127 E. Caldwell Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93277

## Homily of Prayers

JUL 26. 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel  
127 E. Caldwell Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93277

## Graveside

JUL 26. 10:00 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery  
1300 W Goshen Ave  
Visalia, CA 93291

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr.*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - July 23, 2024 at 05:24 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr.*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - July 23, 2024 at 04:18 PM



“ *Isaiah Marquez lit a candle in memory of Rodolfo Marquez*



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**Isaiah Marquez** - April 10, 2025 at 02:09 PM

HA

“ Remembering all the fun times we had growing up, the games we played as children, the evenings we had eating fruit with Grandma and Grandpa telling us stories. We had little, but our childhood never lacked the love we had for family and each other. My heart is heavy today. I will miss you, your hugs, our talks, and your beautiful smile. I hope God, himself, met you at the gates of heaven with open arms as you arrived home. I pray God comforts all of us, especially your family, as we learn to adjust with your absence today and the days ahead. May you rest in your eternal peace❤️



Hope Arechar - July 25, 2024 at 02:16 PM

OM

“ Our love, Hope, Frank, Angela and Manny purchased the Pure Heart for the family of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr..



Our love, Hope, Frank, Angela and Manny - July 25, 2024 at 01:38 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr..



July 24, 2024 at 02:57 PM

LG

“ Love, the Bunco Girls planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr..

Love, the Bunco Girls - July 24, 2024 at 02:57 PM

PP

“ You will be missed Tio Rudy. Rest in Peace and fly with the angels.

Pauline Pena - July 23, 2024 at 06:27 PM

DO

“ De Ochoa purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr..



De Ochoa - July 23, 2024 at 05:42 PM

DO

“ De Ochoa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr..

De Ochoa - July 23, 2024 at 05:42 PM

MJ

“ Moe and Sherry Jazani purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr..



Moe and Sherry Jazani - July 22, 2024 at 09:47 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rodolfo Eloy Marquez, Sr..*



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July 18, 2024 at 01:30 PM