



## Roosevelt Lewis, Jr.

March 19, 1957 - April 6, 2024

On April 6th, 2024 Roosevelt Lewis Jr. passed away peacefully at the age of 67, following a long-term illness. He was born in Omaha, Nebraska and raised in Bakersfield, Ca. He later moved to Tulare Ca to be with his wife Veronica Lewis, where they were married for 20 years.

Roosevelt enjoyed playing and coaching all sports, but football was his game. In 2007 Roosevelt was presented with the Kathy Frasquillo Memorial Award. This award was dedicated to him for his unending support, enthusiasm and energy to the Tulare youth football program. On April 1, 2017 Roosevelt was inducted into the Foothill High School athletic hall of fame for records that have not yet been broken. If you knew Roosevelt you understood how much he loved his niners win or lose. He loved to sing, dance and go to church. Roosevelt was a cement truck driver for over 25 years.

Roosevelt was a very loving, compassionate, and generous person. He is survived by his wife, Veronica Lewis, 2 step-daughters, 9 children, and 6 siblings. He was also blessed with many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was loved by all his nieces and nephews.

Roosevelt is preceded in death by his parents Roosevelt Lewis Sr. and Betty Maston.

Viewing will be held 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Thursday, May 2nd, 2024 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel, 127 E. Caldwell Ave., Visalia. Funeral services will be held 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Friday, May 3rd, 2024 at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Graveside services will be held 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Friday, May 3rd, 2024 at North Tulare Public Cemetery, 4572 North J. St., Tulare.

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

MAY 2. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

## Funeral

MAY 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

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

## Graveside

MAY 3. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

North Tulare Public Cemetery  
4572 J St  
Tulare, CA 93274

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Roosevelt Lewis, Jr.*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - May 02, 2024 at 04:51 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Roosevelt Lewis, Jr.*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - May 02, 2024 at 03:31 PM



“ *"Rooster" it was a joy working with you at Kern Rock so many moons ago.  
You were the one guy out of our whole crew who never seemed to have a bad day :)  
And you never had a bad thing to say about anyone, except in Jest :)  
God Bless You Brother !!!  
Say hello to my Bride Jean. She will introduce herself :)*

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**william wood** - April 30, 2024 at 12:36 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Roosevelt passing. I knew Roosevelt through high on to Bakersfield College. We competed against each other in high school as I went to East high and Roosevelt Foothill, we competed against each other in both football and track. In high school he was awes one in both sports one of the guys who was always going to bring the best out of you, because in order to beat him you had to be at the top of your game. In college I came back home from San Diego state and ran on the 4x400 meter relay with Roosevelt for the first time I was no longer his competitor we were team mates and what fun year we had back in 1977. Roosevelt was like a brother to me we had many days of laughter and hard work on the track running for Bob Covey. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend the services as I am the sprint coach at Highland high school in Bakersfield and we are preparing for our League Championships and our Division II championship which will be in Visalia on May 10. My sincere condolences and prayers to all of you. I will be in Visalia on May 10 and like to bring flowers to his burial site and possibly meet his family. My email address is [jnpena2018@gmail.com](mailto:jnpena2018@gmail.com) my cell # 661 496-8186 again our prayers are with all of you that our Lord and Savior Jesus is with you all and comforts you all through this difficult time. Jesse Pena

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**Jesse Pena** - April 30, 2024 at 11:20 AM

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“ Byron & Elva Siliezar purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Roosevelt Lewis, Jr..



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**Byron & Elva Siliezar** - April 28, 2024 at 06:34 PM