



## Sylvester Vander Tuig

August 29, 1926 - October 28, 2019

Sylvester "Shorty" Vander Tuig was born on August 29, 1926 in Sheldon, Iowa, to Dick and Alice Vander Tuig. He was the third of seven children. At the age of 10 the family moved to California.

Shorty met the love of his life, Arlene Roelofsen, at church youth activities. Their first date was a drive home from the roller skating rink. Shorty had eyes for no one else the rest of his life!

On April 23, 1947 they were married. God blessed them with 72 wonderful years of marriage. They had 4 children, 14 grand children, 47 great grand children and 3 great-great grand children.

Shorty milked cows until he was able to start his own dairy in Artesia, March of 1949. In 1962, he moved his family to Ontario, California, where he built his first new dairy. He was an active member of Chino Christian Reformed Church where he served as an elder for many years. Shorty also served on the first board of Inland Christian Home as well as various dairy association boards.

In 1991, Shorty relocated his dairy to Tulare, California. In 1992, he and Arlene moved into their new home where many precious memories, like Tuesday morning coffee, were shared with family & friends. He was a faithful member of Trinity United Reformed Church where he loved to worship and

served as elder.

Shorty enjoyed horseshoes, softball, golf, traveling, and watching his children, grand children, and great grand children play sports. One of the favorite family activities was the traditional holiday bicycle ride to breakfast and taking his family to gospel concerts and cruises.

His greatest pleasure in life was being blessed to see his entire family walking in the ways of the Lord.

Shorty is survived by his loving wife, Arlene, their 4 children: Rich (Kathy) Vander Tuig; Joanne (Craig) Travis; Jay (Bev) Vander Tuig; Bev (Earl) Lanting; his sister, Mary Jean (Stan - his golfing buddy) Vanden Brink and brother, Dale (Glenda) Vander Tuig. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Milen and Lambert; and sisters, Henrietta Harmsen and Gertrude Doctor.

**SAVED BY GRACE!**

Memorial contributions may be given to: Tulare Kings Right To Life

# Previous Events

## Viewing

OCT 31. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

## Graveside

NOV 1. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery  
1300 W Goshen Ave  
Visalia, CA 93291

## Celebration of Life

NOV 1. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

Trinity United Reformed Church  
6400 W. Walnut  
Visalia, CA 93277

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Sylvester Vander Tuig*



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - October 28, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Rabo Agrifinance LLC, Visalia office purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Sylvester Vander Tuig.*



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**Rabo Agrifinance LLC, Visalia office** - October 29, 2019 at 05:28 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Sylvester Vander Tuig.*



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October 29, 2019 at 04:01 PM