



## Tony Soares, Jr.

December 18, 1952 - June 29, 2019

Tony Soares Jr. was born on December 18, 1952 to Tony H and Eva Mendonca Soares in Visalia CA. He was the second of four children and began working on the family dairy as a child. Tony attended Sundale School and Tulare Union High School, was an active member of FFA and President of his chapter in 1970-71. After high school he served in the US Army and was stationed in Germany as a Sheridan Tank Driver and Armor Crewman. Upon his return to the United States, he worked in the field of farm mechanics until returning to work on the family farm in 1977. Tony was an active fisherman, hunter, camper, 4-Wheeler, and 49ers fan. He was president of the Visalia Wild Wheelers 4-Wheel Drive Club in 1981.

He had three beautiful children, who all remember family camping trips, fishing on the pier, changing water at the family farm, and big Sunday breakfasts. He loved to cook and barbecue and had a knack for "doctoring-up" a meal. In later years, he enjoyed being ♦Vo' to his four grandchildren.

Tony was preceded in death by his father Tony H. Soares, his sister Cookie Tollison, and his brother-in-law John Williams. He is survived by his son, Tony Soares III (April) and granddaughters Scarlet and Sage; daughter Danielle (Sam) and grandson Ibrahem and granddaughter Isha; and daughter Ashley; mother Eva Soares; sister Jeannie Williams; brother Eddie Soares (Sheri); brother-in-law John Tollison; godchildren Michael Irwin and Tamara Tollison; many nieces and nephews, family, and friends.



# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUL 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

## Rosary

JUL 11. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (PT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Visalia, CA  
608 N. Church Street  
Visalia, CA 93291

## Funeral Mass

JUL 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

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## Graveside

JUL 11. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Visalia District Cemetery  
1300 W Goshen Ave  
Visalia, CA 93291

# Tribute Wall



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



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**Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel** - June 29, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ *TIA Eva I am so sorry for loss. Tony was a sweetheart and always so kind and fun to be around. Please accept my love and prayers for you and the family. All my love*  
*Mary Louise "Souza" Gwinn*

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**Mary Gwinn** - July 08, 2019 at 10:08 PM

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“ *Tia Eva & Family,*  
*I am so sorry for your tremendous loss. I love you and miss you all.*  
*You are in my thoughts and prayers.*  
*Love you,*  
*Rayna*

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**Rayna Mendonca** - July 07, 2019 at 03:07 PM