



Velma Lee Tallerico

October 28, 1941 - November 12, 2024

Our beloved mother, Velma Lee Tallerico sadly passed away on November 12, 2024 at the California Park Rehab Center in Chico California at the age of 83.

Velma was born October 28, 1941, in Honobia, Oklahoma. Her family moved around a lot when she was a child until they ended up in Siskiyou County, where she lived for over 50 years before moving to Chico in 2017.

Throughout her life she worked many years in the restaurant business as well as at a door factory. After retirement she was able to enjoy baking, crafting, reading and spending time in her yard. What brought her the most joy was spending time with family and especially time with the grandkids. One of her biggest joys was baking for others. She especially loved it when her grandchildren were around to help her roll out the cookie dough. Velma had a sweet tooth and made sure her guests always had a treat when they came to visit.

She was one of the toughest, most independent women we knew, and she hated asking for help because she could "do it herself".

When Velma was recently asked what was most important to her, she responded, "My Family." Little did Velma know the impact she has had on her family throughout their lives. She will be greatly missed but rest assure that her family will continue with the precious traditions she has instilled in them. She was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years Giuseppe "Joe" Tallerico, her parents James and Lillie Salmon, siblings Bill Salmon, Faye

Wonder, Ace Salmon and Wanda "Sue" Green and grandson Casey Oates. She leaves behind her children Art Harper, Beverly Flower, Tony Tallerico and Tina Schoffstoll, sister Della "Jeanie" Peruzzi, Grandchildren Shan and Brandon Oates, Jordan Harper, Taylor Harris, Monique & Anthony Tallerico, Tanner & Trenton Schoffstoll and Great grandchildren Savina, Evan & Hartley Oates, and Quentin Harris-Tallerico.

Per Velma's wishes the family will not be having a funeral at this time.

However, in the summer a graveside burial will take place where she will be laid to rest by her husband Joe.

Tribute Wall

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“ *She and Joe made countless contributions to our community that continue to enrich our lives today. I enjoyed knowing them and always considered them special friends.*

Shari Sandahl - December 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Awww I loved Mama Velma, such a sweet lady! I'm so sorry Tina Tallerico-Schoffstoll and family!* ☐☐

Michelle Lee - December 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel*

A Memorial Tree was planted for Velma Lee Tallerico - December 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *So very sorry for your loss.* 🙏🙏

Kristen Naylor - December 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM