



## Barbara Ann Mears

February 16, 1943 - January 2, 2023

Barbara was born in McAlester, Oklahoma on February 16, 1943 to Aubrey and Opal Smith.

Barbara is survived by Jerry D Mears, her husband of 55 years and her dog Patch.

She is also survived by her children: Tony Cortese, Tina Cortese, Sabrina Padama, Jennifer Mears.

Five grandchildren: Anthony Cortese, Robert Padama, Teneia Padama, Essence Cardona, Brycen Zapata. Six great grandchildren: Kalena Cortese, Dominic Cortese, Robert Jonah Padama, Wesley Wyatt, Jackson Padama, Mia Padama.

She is also survived by her siblings: Brenda Branson, Bud Smith, Debra Wilson, Sandra Pasillas, Glen Smith, Joyce Smith.

And many nieces and nephews.

Barbara worked at Flodean's, where she met Jerry. She also worked for George Bros Packing house and Del Monte Cannery in Kingsburg where she retired after 32 years.

Barbara loved and served the Lord. Though she was unable to attend church in her later years her faith remained strong.

Some of Barbara's favorite things to do; she loved sewing baby blankets and quilting, she belonged to the Reedley Mennonite Quilt Guild. She enjoyed canning jams and jellies, baking apple pies and peach cobbler's, collected recipes, and was a fabulous cook.

She also loved her roses. She enjoyed traveling to Washington and ferry rides on the Puget Sound and loved going to church conferences. She loved her grandchildren and See's candy.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, January 19th, 2023 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel, 1588 Lincoln Street, Kingsburg, California, 93631.

Celebration of Life will be held Friday January 20, 2023 at 10:00 am, at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel, immediately followed with Internment at Smith Mountain Cemetery, 42088 Rd. 100, Dinuba California.  
Reception to follow.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel.

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# Cemetery Details

## Smith Mountain Cemetery

42088 Rd. 100  
Dinuba, CA 93618

# Previous Events

## Viewing

**JAN 19.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel  
1588 Lincoln Street  
Kingsburg, CA 93631  
(559) 897-2908  
<https://www.creightonchapel.com>

## Funeral

**JAN 20.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel  
1588 Lincoln Street  
Kingsburg, CA 93631  
(559) 897-2908  
<https://www.creightonchapel.com>

## Burial

JAN 20. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (PT)

Smith Mountain Cemetery  
42088 Rd. 100  
Dinuba, CA 93618

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara Ann Mears*



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**Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel** - January 16, 2023 at 05:17 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Barbara Ann Mears*



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**Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel** - January 13, 2023 at 11:33 AM

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*Swimming with all the cousins and eating good food. Singing church songs while other family played instruments.*

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**Breana** - January 17, 2023 at 09:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Mears.*



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January 18, 2023 at 01:47 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Mears.*



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January 17, 2023 at 03:34 PM



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January 16, 2023 at 09:10 PM



“ *Get togethers at her house when we were kids and swimming in her giant pool.*

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**Brad Smith** - January 12, 2023 at 10:38 PM