



## Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr.

April 13, 1948 - March 2, 2022

Frank was a devoted husband, father, son, grandfather, and great grandfather. It is with great sadness that the family announces Frank passed away on March 2, 2022 at the age of 73. He passed away quietly at home after a brief battle with cancer.

At the young age of 17, Frank joined the United States Marine Corp. He married the love of his life, Kathy, before serving 14 months fighting in the Vietnam War. Upon completion of his military service, Frank began a 40 plus year career in the telecommunications industry, working his way from climbing poles to Western Region Critical Operations Manager. During his career Frank was recognized for his talent and received multiple awards and accolades.

Frank's life was filled with energy, laughter, and love. He taught those who he cared about the importance of perseverance and supported us throughout the many accomplishments and difficulties of our lives. He went out of his way to bring people joy and give them a helping hand when needed. His larger than life personality followed him when he entered the room.

Frank spent many good times with family and friends. He had a love for the great outdoors, enjoying fishing, camping, hunting, and boating. If he was not outdoors, you could find him watching the Rams on the TV or in a casino playing the slot machines. But his greatest joy was music and dancing with his

number one dance partner Kathy who he was married to for 55 years.

Frank was predeceased by his parents Frank and Emily Ruiz, brothers David, Harry, and Richard Ruiz. He is survived by his wife Katherine Ruiz, 4 children and spouses, Stephanie and Jerry Box, Jacqueline Ruiz, Denise and Christopher Gates, Robert Ruiz and Amy Huffman; 12 grandchildren and spouses, John Box, Courtney Box, Allison Box, Michael and MJ Rodriguez, Christian Rodriguez, Angelica and Matthew Macias, Robert Ruiz Jr., Emily Ruiz, Ryan Gates, Savannah Gates, Martin Gates and Thomas Gates; 4 great grandchildren Aria Box, Alessa Shade, Sedah Rodriguez and Dahlia Rodriguez; and siblings Jeannette Demay, Diane Jones, DeeDee Ruiz Kezirian, and Stan Ruiz.

Viewing will be held 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM, March 15th, 2022 at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel, 1588 Lincoln Street, Kingsburg, immediately followed by the Holy Rosary at 6:00 PM also at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel.

Mass will be held 10:00 AM, Wednesday, March 16th, 2022 at Holy Family Catholic Church, 1275 Smith Street, Kingsburg. Burial will follow at Kingsburg Cemetery.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillard.com](http://www.salseranddillard.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Kingsburg Cemetery

12782 E. Clarkson Avenue  
Kingsburg, CA 93631

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 15. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

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

## Rosary

MAR 15. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Holy Family Catholic Church  
1275 Smith Street  
Kingsburg, CA 93631

## Burial

MAR 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Kingsburg Cemetery  
12782 E. Clarkson Avenue  
Kingsburg, CA 93631

# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr.*



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**Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel** - March 09, 2022 at 02:43 PM



“ *Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr.*



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**Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel** - March 04, 2022 at 01:57 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..*



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March 15, 2022 at 10:39 AM

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“ Love, Greg and Dee Dee purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..



Love, Greg and Dee Dee - March 14, 2022 at 02:54 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..



March 13, 2022 at 10:48 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..



March 11, 2022 at 03:10 PM

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“ Marletta, Ginny, Lindsay and Dawna purchased the Rose Tribute for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..



Marletta, Ginny, Lindsay and Dawna - March 07, 2022 at 04:22 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..*



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March 07, 2022 at 03:32 PM



“ *I loved playing with Richie, and it always got better, more fun, when Frank and Kathy showed up. Usually, they would show up with pizza and feed all of us. So kind.*

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**Russ Allen** - March 05, 2022 at 07:39 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..*



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March 05, 2022 at 02:46 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Vincent Ruiz, Jr..*



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March 04, 2022 at 09:12 PM