



## Gilberto Torrecillas Beltran

February 4, 1950 - September 21, 2022

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Gilberto Torrecillas Was born on February 4, 1950 in Culiacan Sinaloa, his parents Gregorio Torrecillas and Maria Beltran. At only a few months old his family moved from Culiacan to a Ejidos which is a valley just outside of Mexicali Baja California. His family moved there to work in the fields picking cotton. When Gilberto was big enough his father took him to the fields alongside with his brother's to work, as well as any other chores that were required to help around the home. In their home there were 14 brothers and sisters living under one roof.

At the age of 14 Gilberto did not like for anybody to tell him how to live his life, or what he could or couldn't do, so he left home. He lived with the neighboring family in the same community for a short period of time, and also work in the fields alongside his family but the difference was he was working to support himself, and his choices. As soon as the season was over the family he was staying with travel down to Mazatlan and he went with them. Once in Mazatlan he worked on fishing boats that American tourist will charter to go fishing. A few years later he decided to return home only to find out that his parents and family had moved to Mexicali.

It was a long road for Gilberto and he couldn't locate his family in Mexicali. He

rolled around on the streets and frequently stayed in and around a Chinese Cemetery. Gilberto quickly realized that in the Chinese culture it is customary to bringing food and treats to the dead. Because of these foods that were left behind Gilberto survived for some time while looking for his family. When Gilberto finally located his parents and his family he was at the age that he decided to go into the military. He asked his father to sign for him as he was still under age, he was only 17. He spent a few years in the military when he met Margarita Lizaraga and took her as his bride. They attempted to start a family and they had a baby girl who unfortunately did not live longer than a few days due to health complications. He later moved to Clovis California for work and took margarita with him. It is during this time frame that she became pregnant with their first son Gregorio Torrecillas. Margarita return to Mexico to give birth to there son while Gilberto stayed in Clovis to work. After some time he lost communication with Margarita. He later met Alice Marquez his future wife and mother of his children Lisa Torrecillas and Andrew Torrecillas.

Gilberto and Alice stayed married and together for 20 years before they separated. It goes without saying that even though they were separated he still loved Alice. Gilberto wasn't a perfect man by any means, but he did love his family and his children. He would help anyone that needed a helping hand. As long as his family was healthy and whole Gilberto lived a very humble and simple life. But if his family or his kids needed anything whatsoever he would do whatever it took to help them out without question. Gilberto will surely be missed and loved by many

Viewing will be held 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Tuesday, October 4th, 2022 at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel, 1588 Lincoln Street, Kingsburg.

A Service Of Remembrance services will be held 11:00 AM Wednesday, October 5th, 2022 at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel, 1588 Lincoln Street, Kingsburg.

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).

# Previous Events

## Viewing

OCT 4. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel  
1588 Lincoln Street  
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## Service Of Remembrance

OCT 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Gilberto Torrecillas Beltran*



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**Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel** - October 03, 2022 at 05:12 PM