



Carmen Valverde Chaves

August 26, 1927 - April 19, 2017

Carmen Valverde Chaves (89) of Ceres, CA slipped away peacefully at home on the evening of April 19, 2017 surrounded by family.

Carmen was born on August 26, 1927 to Jose Valverde and Juanita Alcala.

Carmen was an accomplished woman who had a loving attitude toward all people. After raising her three sons, she attended night school and received her high school diploma in 1968.

In January 1969, Carmen graduated from Southwestern College in Chula Vista as a successful Nurses Aide and Home Health Aide.

In 1987, Carmen graduated from Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary and became an ordained minister.

For many years she selflessly cared for foster children in her own home. She also worked as a nutritionist, through the University of California Berkley Extension, to help many young mothers learn self-sufficiency.

A lifelong devout Baptist, she held many positions of responsibility at various churches in both San Diego and Modesto. Carmen taught Sunday School to both youths and adults, she became a deaconess and aided the pastors in many areas, she volunteered locally in the Youth for Christ Ministry, and she volunteered liberally at local hospitals, juvenile care, and prison facilities to provide counsel and comfort to those in need.

Carmen believed strongly in living up to her Christian values, using the Bible as her guide in all that she accomplished. She lived faithfully, with hope and charity towards all people. She is an inspiration who will truly be missed.

Carmen is survived by her 3 sons, Israel (Cecilia) Chaves of Ceres, Benjamin Chaves of Santa Rosa, and Arthur (Shelley) Chaves of Draper, UT; her 7 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 51 years, Israel Soriano Chaves. A visitation will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 27 followed by a funeral service at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 28. Both services will be held at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd., Turlock.

Cemetery Details

Turlock Memorial Park

575 N. Soderquist Rd.
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 632-9111
<http://turlockmemorialpark.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home
425 North Soderquist Road
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Funeral Service

APR 28. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Carmen Valverde Chaves*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carmen Valverde Chaves.*



April 26, 2017 at 05:42 PM