



James R. Beserra

July 6, 1929 - April 17, 2025

James R. Beserra, a lifelong resident of Turlock, California, passed away peacefully at his home on April 17, 2025, at the age of 95.

Born on July 6, 1929, in Turlock, James graduated from Turlock High School in 1947. During his time at Turlock High, he was an outstanding football and track star. After high school, James joined the United States Air Force and served in the Korean War. Over the course of his life, he worked as a tile setter, truck driver, and mechanic. He retired in 1991.

On December 20, 1986, James married Donna Beserra in Turlock. Together they shared 38 years of marriage. Known for being a jack-of-all-trades, James enjoyed handyman work of all kinds. He also found great joy in watching NASCAR and spending time RV camping with family and friends.

James was preceded in death by his son, Kurt Beserra, and his sister, Virginia Cervin. He is survived by his beloved wife Donna; his son Greg Beserra; two grandsons; his nieces, Julie Echaniz and Louanne Nelson; his nephew, Bob Nelson and their families. James also leaves behind his lifelong friend from kindergarten, Don Smith. James will be remembered fondly by those who knew him.

At his request, no funeral services will be held. In honor of James's memory,

donations may be made to the Turlock American Legion or the Turlock VFW.