



## James Carvalho

February 8, 1951 - April 2, 2021

James “Jim” Carvalho was born on February 8, 1951 to proud parents, Joe and Adeline Carvalho, in Turlock, CA. He was the youngest in the family and had two older brothers, John and Joe Carvalho. Jim was raised with his siblings on the family dairy farm in Crows Landing, CA. He learned the family business at a young age and developed a love for agriculture. Jim attended the local Mountain View Elementary and Junior High School. He went on to graduate from Turlock High School in 1969 and attended Modesto Junior College. Jim enlisted in the National Guard and served from 1970-1976. Jim married the love of his life, Fran Drake, on October 26, 1974 in Fremont, CA. He continued to work and dairy at his family’s farm and later bought the business with Fran. After they were married, they moved to Crows Landing and lived on his family’s dairy farm where they started their own family. They welcomed their son Michael, and two years later their daughter Melissa followed.

Jim was a dairy and almond farmer throughout his entire career in agriculture. His business grew over the years as he was blessed to be able to work alongside his wife, Fran and son, Michael. Family was always very important to Jim as he loved taking trips with Fran to visit all of his cousins and extended family over the years. In February 2012, his first granddaughter Mallory was born and in September 2014, his second granddaughter Audrey joined the family. He was a doting grandfather and never missed a sports game, dance recital, or school performance.

Jim loved camping with family and friends, going to car shows in his 1965 Pontiac GTO, hanging out with the "Mountain View" crew at Pismo Beach - where he was the "Music Man" - and dancing the night away anywhere there was music and fun to be had! He also enjoyed going to concerts, traveling and shooting a game or two of pool in his basement. He belonged to the Westside Auto Club, Telco Bowling League, PFSA, Turlock Pentecost Association past president, Our Lady of Miracles and Sacred Heart Church. Jim was an active community member and was always there to help a neighbor or friend.

Jim passed away on April 2, 2021 at his residence after being diagnosed with lung cancer in October. Jim is survived by his wife, Fran Carvalho; son Michael (Alison) Carvalho; daughter Melissa (Nathan) Carvalho-Ubl; his brothers John (Nancy) Carvalho and Joe E. Carvalho; and grandchildren Mallory and Audrey Carvalho. He is also being mourned by many nephews, great-nephews, nieces, great-nieces, great-great niece, brothers- in-law, sisters- in-law, aunt, uncles and cousins. Jim was preceded in death by his parents Joe and Adeline Carvalho and nephew Andy Carvalho. Jim will be missed and never forgotten. He was a wonderful man who loved life and his family. Our love for him will live on in our memories and be carried on through our shared stories.

A visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., with the Rosary at 6:30 p.m., on Monday, April 12, 2021, at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd., Turlock, CA 95380.

Funeral Mass will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at Holy Rosary Church, 8471 Cypress St., Hilmar, CA 95324. Interment will follow at Turlock Memorial Park, 575 N. Soderquist Rd., Turlock, CA 95380.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Jim Carvalho Scholarship Fund for agriculture students at Chase bank.

# Cemetery Details

## Turlock Memorial Park

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home  
425 North Soderquist Road  
Turlock, CA 95381  
(209) 632-9111  
<https://turlockfuneralhome.com>

## Recitation of the Rosary

APR 12. 6:30 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home  
425 North Soderquist Road  
Turlock, CA 95381  
(209) 632-9111  
<https://turlockfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Mass

APR 13. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
8471 Cypress Street  
Hilmar, CA

## Interment

APR 13. 3:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Memorial Park  
575 N. Soderquist Rd.  
Turlock, CA 95380  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *James Carvalho*

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January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM

DM

“ My Friend Jim

*The first time I met Jim we were in a catechism class for First Communion. Our parents would do ride sharing on Tuesdays after school. Jim went to Mt. View and I went to Chatom so we didn't see to much of one another growing up but saw each other at the Portuguese Celebrations where we would pick up empty soda bottles for 5 cents a case. We were making big bucks back then. We started hanging around together when we got to High School and got our first cars. Jim always had a great looking car and knew all the good canal banks to drink beer on. In remember more than once a bunch of us were having our Friday night get together on a canal bank and here came a car down the road. Everyone said "Let's get out of here! It's the Cops!" I said wait. Shut up and listen. Before long you could hear The Rolling Stones blasting. It's Jim. Here he came rolling up with his Chevelle SS. Now we had tunes! All through High School we would party and work on cars together. Jim would have to milk the cows and wouldn't get done till later in the night, but he would always manage to find the right party to go to. When we graduated we both joined the California National Guard. We joined up as tank mechanics, but somehow he ended up as a tank driver. I stayed in for a few more years after he got out. The convoy would go right by his house and I had all the Army trucks honk as they went by. Michael and Melissa were always impressed!*

*As time went on Jim got married to his love Fran. I was a Groomsman in their wedding. They started a family and would come over on Halloween to trick or treat in town. The women would stay at home and Jim and I would put a couple of beers in our pocket and take the kids around the neighborhood.*

*Our Families went camping at Clarks Fork and every night the bear would come and go through the garbage cans. Well one night after a couple bottles of courage, Jim and I were going to go see the bear. We were walking along and Jim said in his calm cool voice "There's the bear" I said where. Back there! I really didn't want to see it any way.*

*Jim and Fran are God Parents to my son Nick and was a sponsor*

*and on the pit crew to our destruction derby cars. He would sponsor Nick's 4H pigs. I would help him at the golf tournaments that he and Fran would put on and lately helped out at the Christmas hay ride by playing Santa.*

*Thank you Jim for all the memories. You will not be forgotten. Rest in peace my friend! I will see you again in our after life!*

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**Dan Mello** - April 13, 2021 at 11:59 AM

DS

*Uncle Jim was a man who loved his family, worked hard, served his county and community. Growing up, I would only see Uncle Jim on holidays with family and Portuguese gatherings. He was always calm, soft spoken, a good listener, a peacemaker with a smile on his face and a hug to give. Sometimes that's all we need is a genuine hug! Christmas of 1998 at Grandma and Poppies house we discussed the Pantera & Black Sabbath concert coming to the San Jose Arena. He and Michael already had tickets and I was able to add them to this guest list to join us in the Penthouse Suite. That night 🌙, after knowing Uncle Jim for over 20 years, I was surprised to see him in a different setting enjoy the concert. He loved music.*

*Yesterday, we said goodbye with large group of family and friends whom Uncle Jim had touched their lives. I enjoyed hearing the memories shared, conversations. On the way home last night had to look up Jim Croce's, "I'll Have To Say I Love You In A Song". Rest in peace Uncle Jim!*

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**Diana Standridge-Gobright** - April 14, 2021 at 06:43 PM

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“ *Lander Veterinary Clinic, Inc. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Carvalho.*



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**Lander Veterinary Clinic, Inc.** - April 09, 2021 at 05:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Carvalho.*



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April 09, 2021 at 03:47 AM



“ *Jim was was our "BUD" and he will be missed greatly. There are way to many memories to pick out just one. From the first time I meet Him when he knocked on our front door looking for Fran to his recent birthday party. We traveled the world, RV 'd, went to concerts and just hung out together. Jim, Fran Dave & Jeanette were always thinking what will we due next. Jeanette bought Doobie Brothers concert tickets for his birthday last year for. All of us. But, the concert was rescheduled to October 2021 (Covid). Jeanette has decided her "BUD" will still be going. We are going to set his hat on his seat and enjoy the music with Jim.*

*Jim we LOVE YOU & MISS YOU*

*Your BUDs Dave & Jeanette*

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**David Drake** - April 08, 2021 at 05:05 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of James Carvalho.*



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April 08, 2021 at 10:43 AM

 June  
Milani

“ We were saddened to hear of Jim's passing. We remember you both from the West Side Auto Club. Anthony and June Souza

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**June Milani** - April 08, 2021 at 01:24 AM

VL

“ Our sincere condolences to the Carvalho family Jim will never be forgotten such a wonderful human being rest in peace Jim. Verne & Belle LaCross

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**Verne & Belle LaCross** - April 08, 2021 at 01:03 AM

JM

“ We are so sorry to hear of jim's passing. Fran we have known you forever . We rarely saw each other but have fond memories of the old days. Please take care and know our thoughts and prayers are with you. All our love Joe and lura moitoso. 🤔🙏

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**Joe and lura moitoso** - April 06, 2021 at 11:33 PM