



John Souza Lemos Jr.

December 23, 1955 - July 7, 2023

John Souza Lemos Jr., beloved husband, son, father, brother, grandfather, uncle, and friend to many, passed away at his home in Turlock on July 7, 2023, surrounded by family at the age of 67 after valiantly fighting cancer for almost 8 years.

John was born in Santa Cruz, CA to John and Adeline Lemos. His family moved to Dos Palos for some years, but then relocated to Stevenson in 1962, which were his favorite childhood years. He loved fishing by the river and riding their family ponies. In 1974, he graduated from Turlock High School. He met the love of his life, Rosa, while in high school, but it wasn't until 1988 that his persistence brought them back together. They were married on July 7, 1990.

At the age of 16, after his father's passing, John took on the responsibility of helping run his family's dairy farm. He started working as an electrician in 1984 at Bright Electric with his brother, Frank Lemos. He continued this career, increasing his knowledge through experience and education, eventually becoming a journeyman electrician. His career path led him to CSU Stanislaus, where he retired in 2016.

He was a devoted family man and is survived by his wife Rosa, daughter, Rachel Sutherland (Chris Sutherland) and his 3 grandchildren (Alyssa,

Juliana, and Evan John Sutherland). He is also survived by his siblings: Linda Mann (Michael Mann), Nancy Lemos, Frank Lemos and uncle, Gilbert Santos. His mother-in-law, Maria Giron; sister-in-law, Mary Mayer; and brother-in-law, Jack Mayer. Along with his nephews and nieces: Michael Mann II, Jon Mann, Andrew Mann, Nathan Lemos, Alexandra VanBeber, Trevor Lemos, John Mayer, Jessica Bowman, Jenna Mayer, Cassidy Mayer, Alexander Giron, and Lucas Giron. John was predeceased by his parents, John and Adeline Lemos.

John had an enormous heart and wonderful sense of humor. He was generous, loyal, and brave. He was clever and full to the brim with knowledge of all sorts.

John loved the great outdoors and going on adventures. He enjoyed hiking, hunting, fishing, golfing, mountain/desert/dirt bike riding, and going on any vacation. He would sleep under the stars, in a tent, on the beach, or at a resort spending time with his family and friends (especially his grandchildren)!

Though his final years were marked by cancer, he never lost his smile or his determination. He was an inspiration to many; he endured countless rounds of treatment so he could live life to the fullest with his family and friends. He will be missed dearly, but his love is forever imprinted on the hearts of those with whom he shared his incredible life. His legacy will live through acts of kindness, selflessness and courage.

Please join the family for a memorial service on Monday, July 17 at 10:00 a.m. in the main chapel at Turlock Memorial Park and Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a gift in memory of John Lemos to Dr. Terence Friedlander's research program at the University of California San Francisco to further efforts to advance the treatments of genitourinary cancers. To make a memorial gift, visit makeagift.ucsf.edu or send a donation

payable to "UCSF Foundation" to UCSF Foundation, PO Box 45339, San Francisco, CA 94145.

Cemetery Details

Turlock Memorial Park

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

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 17. 10:00 AM (PT)

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

In the main chapel.

Interment following Funeral Service

JUL 17. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

LS

“ Our condolences to Rosa and her family in the loss of John. He was a classmate of mine at THS. What a nice guy and he married a family friend of ours- Rosa! What a cute couple. May God bless you all.

Linda Romero Soles - July 16, 2023 at 09:41 PM

RL

“ Rosa L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Souza Lemos Jr..

Rosa L. - July 16, 2023 at 11:43 AM

GS

“ Gil S. purchased the Blessed Heart for the family of John Souza Lemos Jr..



Gil S. - July 14, 2023 at 12:57 PM

MC

“ Mary C. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John Souza Lemos Jr..



Mary C. - July 13, 2023 at 11:28 PM

TS

“ *The Sutherland's purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of John Souza Lemos Jr..*



The Sutherland's - July 13, 2023 at 04:00 PM

MC

“ *May God wrap you in his arms for your next journey.
You were an inspiration to Tim during his battle.
The boys and I will miss your tenacity on the ball field.
May your family find solace in their happy memories.
Maggi Corvello*

Maggi Corvello - July 13, 2023 at 01:57 PM

BS

“ *Rest easy John you put up an awesome fight! Our thoughts and prayers go to Rosa and family. Bart and Vickie Sargenti*

Bart Sargenti - July 12, 2023 at 05:43 PM



“ 10 files added to the album *In Loving Memory of John Souza Lemos Jr.*



TURLOCK FUNERAL HOME - July 12, 2023 at 12:33 PM