



Manuel Jorge Morris

November 6, 1949 - May 14, 2026

Manuel Jorge Morris (Morais) passed away peacefully, surrounded by his wife and children, on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at the age of 76. Manuel was born in Fajã dos Vimes, São Jorge, Açores, on November 6, 1949, to his parents, João and Diolinda Morais. In 1966, at age 16, Manuel moved to the United States with his brother, Antonio, to build a new life. Together, they worked on dairies in Manteca, California, before partnering up and starting a dairy of their own in west Modesto. Manuel married his wife, Mary Aguiar, on January 21, 1978. They celebrated 48 years of marriage this year. In 1988, Manuel and Mary started their own dairy farm on Young Road in Modesto before building their current facility on Shiloh Road in 1994.

Manuel enjoyed farming and dairying alongside his son, Johnny. Manuel could always be found in a piece of equipment, on a swather, or covered in cow manure up until his passing. He loved playing cards, hosting matanças, traveling to the Açores, and being surrounded by family and friends. He was a jokester who loved to see people laugh and smile. Manuel was a beloved husband, father, avô, brother, and uncle. He will be deeply missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, João and Diolinda Morais; his sister, Lubelia Morais; his brother, Leonel Morais; and his son, David Morris.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; his son, John (Nicole) Morris; daughter,

Darlene; his grandchildren, Livia and Manuel David Morris; his sister, Maria Idalina Borba; his brother, Antonio (Delfina) Morris; his brother, Luis (Fatima) Silveira of Terceira; as well as his many nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held Wednesday, May 27, 2026 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Turlock Memorial Park and Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Road, Turlock, California 95381.

A recitation of the rosary will be held 9:30am, followed by a funeral Mass at 10:00am at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, 709 J Street, Modesto, California 95354 on Thursday, May 28, 2026. Following the Mass, Manuel will be laid to rest at St. Stanislaus Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html?sc_icid=header-btn-donate-now) or Valley Children's Hospital (<https://www.valleychildrens.org/support/ways-to-give/financial-giving/donate-money>).

Cemetery Details

St. Stanislaus Catholic Cemetery

1141 Scenic Dr.
Modesto, CA 95350

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 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

MAY 28. 9:30 AM (PT)

St. Stanislaus Catholic Church
709 J. Street
Modesto, CA 95354

Funeral Mass

MAY 28. 10:00 AM (PT)

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Modesto, CA 95354

Interment Following Funeral Mass

MAY **28**. 11:00 AM (PT)

St. Stanislaus Catholic Cemetery
1141 Scenic Dr.
Modesto, CA 95350

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Manuel Jorge Morris.*



9 hours ago



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Manuel Jorge Morris.

9 hours ago



“ *Morris Family
Our condolences, may his soul rest in peace*



Abilio & Debbie Fontes - Yesterday at 07:08 PM



“ *So sorry to hear this. He was a good friend of my father's. Both immigrants who weee honest hard working and God fearing men. May he rest in peace*

Regina Avila Costa - Yesterday at 04:11 PM

DR

“ I'm very sorry for your loss! Manuel was a good friend and a hard worker! He will be missed by me and many others! God Bless

David Riesen - Yesterday at 11:27 AM

LM

“ Lucia Mendes lit a candle in memory of Manuel Jorge Morris



Lucia Mendes - May 18 at 10:28 PM

GA

“ Gorete Amador sent a virtual gift in memory of Manuel Jorge Morris



Gorete Amador - May 18 at 08:57 PM