



## Patrick Gary Kelley

March 17, 1942 - August 3, 2025

Patrick Gary Kelley, 83, passed away on August 3, 2025, in Phoenix, Arizona. Born on March 17, 1942, in Fort Smith, Arkansas, he spent most of his life in California with his wife, Betty Ellen Helnore, raising their four children.

A devoted family man, Patrick was known for his generosity, love of gardening, and watching football with his loved ones. He will be remembered for his larger-than-life personality. In his youth, he joined the Army National Guard, boxed and raced motorcycles. He remained active well into his eighties.

He is preceded in death by his loving wife Betty and twin brother Mike. He is survived by his four children, William Helnore, Jr, Sheril Hernandez, Lori Medeiros, Christine Ortiz and 34 grandchildren, sister Carlene Smothers, and brother Stan Taylor.

He was cherished by his family and fondly remembered as “Pops.” He was the epitome of the saying “Any man can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad.” We love you Pops and know you’re happy to be with Noni. Until we see you again, rest in Peace.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, August 29, 2025, at Turlock Memorial Park and Funeral Home, with visitation from 9:00–11:00 am, a service at 11:00 am in the Small Chapel, and interment to follow at Turlock Memorial Park Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Turlock Memorial Park

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 29.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

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

*Small Chapel*

## Funeral Service

**AUG 29.** 11:00 AM (PT)

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

*Small Chapel*

## Interment following Funeral Service

**AUG 29.** 12:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Memorial Park  
575 N Soderquist Rd  
Turlock, CA 95380-3749  
(209) 632-9111

# Tribute Wall

JO

“ *Juan O. purchased the Purity and Peace Casket Spray for the family of Patrick Gary Kelley.*



Juan O. - August 26, 2025 at 05:15 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Patrick Gary Kelley.*



August 26, 2025 at 01:40 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Patrick Gary Kelley.*

August 26, 2025 at 01:40 PM

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“ *Lori & Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Patrick Gary Kelley.*



Lori & Family - August 25, 2025 at 06:07 PM

TC

“ *Well pops you've moved on to be with Nonny and though I will miss you like crazy I know that's where you want to be. I have so many precious memories of visiting with you guys in Bakersfield during the summers and you guys coming to visit us during holidays and I am forever grateful and thankful for those memories. I will always cherish the memories and share them with my children and grandchildren please continue to watch over us in heaven pops we love you!*

Tamara Cuyno - August 25, 2025 at 05:45 PM