



## Viola Marie Brown

September 4, 1928 - December 3, 2023

Viola Marie Brown, affectionately known as “Vava,” passed away peacefully in her home with family by her side on December 3, 2023, at the age of 95. She was born in Denair, California and grew up in Turlock, California. She was a proud almond farmer and Blue Diamond Almond Growers’ member since 1970, one of the first in Stanislaus County. Never afraid of hard work, she also worked for Valkris for ten years as a machine operator. Viola was a devoted member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the Young Ladies’ Institute. She kept her calendar busy by meeting monthly with her “Birthday Club” and a group of Turlock High School graduates from 1946 at various Turlock establishments, allowing her to visit with friends and classmates.

Viola loved to dance, a passion that began early in life. When Viola was not farming, she enjoyed reading, gardening, curing olives, quilting, making jams, baking, and visiting with her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Viola is survived by her children, Jim and Carolyn Brown, Caren Brown, Scott and Lynette Soiseth, Jeff and Marci Brown, and many nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Viola was tenderly cared for by her daughter, Lynette, and her niece, Cathee Lynn. She is preceded in death by her parents John and Evelena Baptista; her first husband, James “Pat” Lynn; her second husband, George Brown; her twin sister, Violet Lynn; her sister, Patricia Viera; and her brothers Edwin and Alvin Baptista.

Public visitation will be held at Turlock Funeral Home on Wednesday, December 13, 2023, from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. with the Recitation of the Rosary to follow from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. A celebration of life will be held at Turlock Funeral Home on Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. with a burial and reception to follow.

# Cemetery Details

## Turlock Memorial Park

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 13. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

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

## Recitation of the Rosary

DEC 13. 6:00 PM (PT)

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

## Funeral Service

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DEC 14. 10:00 AM (PT)

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

## Interment following Funeral Service

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DEC 14. 11:00 AM (PT)

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

## Reception to Follow Services

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DEC 14. 12:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home  
425 North Soderquist Road  
Turlock, CA 95381  
(209) 632-9111  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Great Aunt Viola leaves behind so many memories and stories. She will be much missed and never forgotten. My thoughts are with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, cousins, friends, and all those who shared a smile and a laugh with her over the years. We are with you all in spirit as your honor her life.

*Aimee Vieira, Ezra and Elah Maurer*

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**Aimee Vieira** - December 14, 2023 at 07:30 AM

SV

“ Sue (and Louis) Vieira planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Viola Marie Brown.

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**Sue (and Louis) Vieira** - December 11, 2023 at 03:51 PM

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“ Sue (and Louis) Vieira purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Viola Marie Brown.



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**Sue (and Louis) Vieira** - December 11, 2023 at 03:51 PM

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“ Our condolences to Caren and all Brown family members. May God bless Viola and May she rest in peace.

*-George and Linda Romero Soles &  
Ramona Romero & family*

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**Linda Romero Soles** - December 09, 2023 at 10:03 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Viola Marie Brown.*



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December 07, 2023 at 11:49 AM



“ *Kathleen Honeycutt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Viola Marie Brown.*

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**Kathleen Honeycutt** - December 05, 2023 at 05:32 PM



“ *Kathleen Honeycutt purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Viola Marie Brown.*



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**Kathleen Honeycutt** - December 05, 2023 at 05:32 PM