



## Gilbert Sanchez Escobar Sr.

March 3, 1951 - March 24, 2021

Gilbert Sanchez Escobar was born March 3, 1951 in Fresno, CA to Mike Escobar and Isabel Sanchez Escobar. Gilbert also known as “Gilly” spent his younger years working the fields helping his parents. In 1974 he met the love of his life Socorro Reyna, the couple soon married and had three children Gilbert Jr, Joseph and Vanessa which he loved very much. Soon after marriage he began a career in construction and worked as a cement Masonry and carpenter for many years. In 1979 he built his first home blocks away from his parents in Fresno, CA. In 1989 he decided to sell and purchase a few acres in the countryside near Sanger, CA where he would build his second home. It was there he would retire and spend the rest of his days being out on the ranch and growing fruits and vegetables. One of Gilbert’s favorite things was playing underhand fast pitch softball where he was known for winning many championships throughout the years. Another thing he enjoyed was fishing in the canals near Los Banos with his uncles, cousins and boys. Everyone new, every year “Grandpa Locks” would be the first one at Choinumni and it said to be the family member who started the tradition. You would find him there getting his trailer ready for the Easter weekend celebration, were many good memories were made. Gilbert will be missed greatly and we all know his presence will always be with us. His children would like to thank him for being such an incredible role model while loving them unconditionally. Gilbert was a great husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He was a hard-working man with a smile that could light up

a room. He had plenty of jokes and would do many impersonations to make everyone laugh. He will be truly missed.

# Cemetery Details

## Sanger District Cemetery

Sanger, CA

# Previous Events

## Rosary

MAR 30. 6:00 PM (PT)

Chapel of the Light  
1620 W. Belmont Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93728  
michael@chapelofthelight.com  
<http://www.chapelofthelight.com>

## Funeral Mass

MAR 31. 12:30 PM (PT)

St. Mary's Parish, New Church  
12050 E. North Avenue  
Sanger, CA 93657

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gilbert Sanchez Escobar Sr.*

September 15, 2022 at 09:34 PM



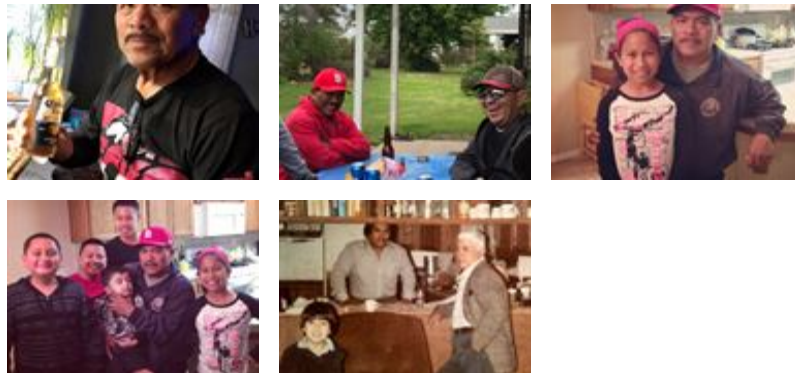
“ *Cousin Gilly your presence will be truly missed at every Escobar event but we know you will be there in spirit like the rest of the family. Regardless of the occasion you ALWAYS had everyone laughing and Margie saying "your too much man" sometimes we laughed so much my stomach hurt! Lil Gilly will keep the family laughing here and you keep the family laughing in heaven until we all met again! Love your cousin from Brawley Ida*



**Ida Garcia** - March 30, 2021 at 08:50 PM



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