

January 2, 1953 ~ December 6, 2025

Philip J. Madruga



On December 6, 2025, Philip, age 72, passed peacefully from this life, surrounded by family. He had been a Tracy resident for over 50 years.

Philip was born January 2, 1953 in Pico, Azores. On December 6, 1966, he came to the United States at the age of 13 with his mother, and some of his siblings and lived in Santa Clara. Philip attended William Wilson Junior High and Santa Clara High School, where he met the love of his life, Mary.

In 1974 Philip and Mary married at St. Clare's Catholic Church in Santa Clara and moved to Tracy where they began their journey of faith and family for 51 years, as of September 14, 2025.

Philip worked hard in order to provide for his family. His motto, "a dollar is better than no dollar, if you've earned it".

He had a love for soccer, cars, photography, video editing, building and repairing computers, and playing cards with his small group of friends. He had the constant drive for learning something new; playing the guitar, piloting a small aircraft, rebuilding the engine to his favorite cherry red 911 Porsche Targa.

Philip has been a parishioner of St. Bernard's Catholic Church and served as a Eucharistic Minister along with his wife, for several years.

Philip is survived by his loving wife, Mary Fatima; daughters, Kellene and Lindsey; son-in-law, Mike; grandchildren, Gaberiel, Audriana, Kameron and Karter.

A rosary will be held on Tuesday, December 16th at 10:30 a.m., following 11:00 a.m. funeral mass at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, 163 W. Eaton Avenue, Tracy, CA. Burial will be at Tracy Public Cemetery, 501 E. Schulte Road, Tracy, CA.

