

October 9, 1960  December 16, 2024

Luis Rosario-Zabala

On December 16, 2024, Luis Rosario-Zabala, age 64, passed away peacefully from cancer at his home in Los Molinos, California. Luis was surrounded by his wife, Joanna, and family during his final days.

Luis was born on October 9, 1960, in Fajardo, Puerto Rico. In 1963, Luis came to the United States with his mother and his younger brother. They lived in New York for a year and briefly returned to Puerto Rico before returning to the New Jersey area. Luis enlisted in the United States Army in 1977 and was stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and Fort Polk, Louisiana.

Luis was honorably discharged from the United States Army in 1988.

In 1986 Luis moved from Honolulu, Hawaii to Tracy. He owned Johnson Studio in Tracy for several years and was a member of St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, and Tracy Latin Athletic Club. He was a fan of the Oakland/Las Vegas Raiders, Oakland A's, and the Golden State Warriors. He enjoyed fishing, golfing, cooking, photography, and the outdoors.



In 2008, Luis moved to the Red Bluff area and continued his photography business until he was diagnosed with a brain tumor. He met his

wife, Joanna, in 2007 and married in 2009.

Luis' Catholic faith was of great importance to him. As an active parishioner at his local church, he attended daily mass as his health allowed. He also served as a lector and sang in the choir.

Luis is preceded in death by his twin brother, who died at birth; mother, Ana Luisa Zabala-Valez; and the mother of his children, Annette Rosario.

He is survived by his wife, Joanna; daughters, Kathleen Rosario and Ana Rosario; sons, Marco Rosario and Matthew Rosario; stepchildren, Savanna Fulton and Codi Fulton; grandchildren, Nicholas, Leilani, Jonathan, Estela, Dominic, and Carmine; father, Tomas Rosario (Miguelina); brothers, Wilfredo Rosario and Ivan Gutierrez; sister, Wanda Gutierrez; mother-in-law, Beth White.

Luis was laid to rest on January 2, 2025, at the Northern California Veterans Cemetery in Igo, Shasta County, California.

Though we are saddened with grief, our family finds comfort in knowing Luis was set free of his suffering when Our Lord called him Home. He will always be remembered for his kind heart, his sense of humor, and his everlasting love for his family.

In memory of Luis, family and friends are welcome to join the Rosario family for A Celebration of Life to be held on Saturday, February 8, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at the Tracy Elks Lodge, 6400 West 11th Street.