

# Ronald John Ruiz

February 3, 1946



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Ronald John Ruiz passed away peacefully surrounded by family on March 3, 2024 in Tracy California at the age of 78.

He leaves behind his wife of 53 years Mary Blaney Ruiz; daughter, Kimberly Ruiz Culebro (Juan) of Turlock; grandsons, Jose "Joey" Chavez and Lucas Chavez; brother, Joe Ruiz of Lone; sister, Corinne Ruiz Haas of Ceres.

Ronald "Ron" was born February 3, 1946 in Stockton, California to Joe and Lydia Ruiz and lived on the Ruiz Family ranch. He went to New Jerusalem school and was a proud Tracy High graduate class of 1963. He was a four-year officer and member of the FFA thru his high school years and a proud grandfather of his grandsons who followed in the FFA tradition.

He graduated Delta College and graduated Fresno State University.

Ron's love of farming began at a very



young age working at E. Ruiz & Sons ranch driving tractor, raking hay and learning the business from his grandfather Enemesio, father Joe, his uncles Elmo, Ralph, and Alfred. His knowledge of farming led him to Salinas where he was employed at Spiegel Frozen Foods as line supervisor then back to Patterson, CA to work as a field supervisor for Patterson Frozen Foods. He then worked as a seed representative for T, S & L Seed Co. until he

retired at the age of 75. He believed in customer service and was true to this belief.

Ron was an avid fisherman, loving the peace and beauty of the rivers he fished. He fished over 25 rivers but his heart was fishing the lower Sacramento River and the West Walker River. He passed on his love of fishing to his daughter, Kimberly and grandsons, Joey and Luke.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

