



## Melva Mae Avila

August 8, 1941 - May 25, 2025

Our Beloved and Graceful Ma and Grandma, our hearts ache as we announce the loss of Melva Mae Avila on Sunday May 25, 2025. At the age of 83 at French Hospital in San Luis Obispo, California.

Melva was born August 8th, 1941 to Frank and Nellie Lazzarini in Monterey California.

Graduated San Luis Obispo High School in 1959.

Melva was a beloved School Bus Driver for San Luis Coastal Unified School District from 1988 into 2003 and is remembered dearly by many who rode her bus for the Blow pops she handed out and her positive impact.

Melva had been married to Manuel (Sonny) Avila for a period of time during which is when she had her sons Marty and Maury Avila.

Preceded in Death by Both Parents Frank and Nellie Lazzarini. Brothers Gene Lazzarini, Don Lazzerini, Sisters Marge Pimentel, Wanda Lazzerini and her Son Maury Avila.

Survived by her are her son Marty Avila of Cayucos, Ca., Grandson Tony Avila of Jefferson-Scio, Or., Granddaughters Maggie Baker of Prineville, Or., Tammy Nelson of Vale, Or., and Jessica Avila of Roseburg, Or. Great grandchildren Cylus Avila, Stevie Nelson, Wyatt Baker, and Jason Avila.

Melva was artistic as her paintings and leather work showed. Melva enjoyed painting many beautiful pictures that her family have enjoyed for years, as the joy it brought her to paint, she would give them away.

A Private Memorial Service will be held for family at a later time.



# Tribute Wall

MA

“ To the best Mother any one could ask for! You raised me, You taught me, You were there for me, even when I was wrong, You were there for ME! You gave your unwavering LOVE. I will always miss our talks, even when I was busy and did not want to be bothered, You were never a bother. At times it was inconvenient to help you or run errands, But I did it anyways when I could. Not because I had to, or wanted to, but because I loved YOU, and owed you for the life you gave me. From childhood to adulthood, the lessons and advice you gave and shared, still live with me. I will and have shared those lessons with your grand kids, and in turn they have passed them to their kids. Your memory, lessons, wisdom and love will last long after your entry into heaven. Where we know you are watching over us as the angel we all know you are. LOVE YOU MA!

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**Marty Avila** - January 03 at 05:42 PM

JB

“ Auntie Melva. Full of life. Will never forget her Easter egg hunts at the farm and her spur of the moment pancake brekkies. a legend of the famiglia. Rest in peace and may we meet in the afterlife.

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**Jonathan Bruns** - June 12, 2025 at 05:52 PM

KB

“ As a small child loved spending vacations with Melva and her family. As an adult loved our weekly phone calls, and many vacations spent together.

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**Kaye Bruns** - June 12, 2025 at 11:55 AM