

**Stephen Latasa,
King City resident**

Stephen Latasa of King City died Friday at Saint Francis Hospital in Santa Barbara from complications after surgery for cancer. He was 74.

Mr. Latasa was a native of Palms. He moved to the Salinas Valley in 1949, where he farmed with his brother in Soledad until his retirement in 1973. He was active in the King City Lions Club and was a member of the King City Men's Golf Club.

Mr. Latasa is survived by his wife, Josephine Latasa of King City; his daughters, Linda Latasa of Campbell and Patricia Abler of Santa Barbara; his son, Stephen Lee Latasa of King City; his brother, Phillip Latasa of Soledad; his sisters, Angie Scherman of Costa Mesa, Marie McDonald of Laguna Hills, Eleanor Urricariet and Dorothy Keifer, both of Laguna Niguel; and three grandchildren.

A memorial Mass will be at 11 a.m. Friday at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, King City. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the King City Lions Club Eye Fund, George L. Mee Memorial Hospital, 300 Canal St., King City 93930; or the American Cancer Society, 1184 Monroe St., Suite 1, Salinas 93906-3590. Arrangements are under the direction of Welch-Ryce Mortuary.

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