



Joe James Penalzoza

April 3, 1943 – March 31, 2021

On March 31, 2021, Joe J. Penalzoza was chosen to walk the path of eternal life with our Lord. Those who walked before him are his Father and Mother, Joe B. and Mary S. Penalzoza who started their family with Joe as the first-born son. He was also preceded by Carol H. Penalzoza, his wife of 30 years and his stepchildren, Stephen, Jeffrey and Nancy.

Joe was a very loving and caring soul who always put others before himself and who was dearly loved in return. His love for dancing surpassed all else and he spent many years perfecting this art with his special friend, Rosalie Dear, for the last six years. He often spoke of his extended family from Martinez Social Club. In his earlier years, he loved fishing with family and friends at the coast. Many days were spent on his patio enjoying nature and making sure all the birds and squirrels in the neighborhood had plenty to eat and drink. He was a lover of all animals, the last being Sofie, his Yorkie.

Joe leaves behind his siblings, Marty (Essie), Art (Barbie), Betty (John) and Tony (Angie), as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and grandchildren.

Joe's love and happiness will be sorely missed, and he will be forever in our hearts.

