



John Piatti, Sr. (Johnny Piatti), 82, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 4th from a combination of failing health and living a full and joyful life on his terms. Born in King City in 1936, and living his entire days along the Central Coast of California, he considered Morro Bay his home. Piatti was a devoted husband, married to his lifelong love, Doreen, since 1955, and was an exemplary father to six sons, seven grandchildren, and great-grandfather to six more. He served years as a member and Elder of the Salinan Tribe of San Luis Obispo and Monterey Counties.

Counted among John's many talents were house painting, billiards, fishing, golf, and just being able to make almost anyone smile, if he liked the individual; or grimace, if he didn't. A consummate storyteller, he found the truth to be the best source of humor, and his quick, honest wit often earned him many admirers.

Among his professional accomplishments, Piatti worked as a commercial fisherman in Morro Bay's abalone industry. Employed as a laborer, he participated in building Diablo Canyon's breakwaters. Along with stretches as a tug-boat crewman and working in coastal mines, he ran his own commercial painting business for years.

The immediate family is holding a private service, and will announce a memorial celebration to be held in the Spring of 2019, with plenty of coffee, cigarettes and barbeque to be served. In remembrance, the family would ask that anyone wishing to participate may donate in the name of John Piatti, Sr., to any animal rescue service of their choice.



Our Tribal Administrator, Patti Dunton at the "Save Eagle Rock" fundraiser. Eagle Rock is a Salinan Sacred Site, registered with the State of California. For the last year the Morro Bay History Assoc. along with the Morro Bay Open Space Alliance along with our Tribe have been involved in raising funds to purchase the peak. The City of Morro Bay purchased the peak a year ago, keeping it from being developed. They gave The Alliance three years to raise the funds to purchase the peak, before it goes back on the market. So we only have two more years to raise the funds to save our sacred site. Thanks to all who have donated so far.

## Roots and Recipes Book

By Vern Barry & Connie Heckert

Pelican Publishing Company Gretna 1997

### VERN'S ALWAYS TENDER PIE CRUST

3 cups flour  
½ tsp. salt  
1 cup shortening, chilled  
1 egg, beaten  
1 tsp. apple cider vinegar  
Water (as needed)



Combine flour with salt, then cut in shortening until particles resemble small peas. Combine egg, vinegar, and enough water to make ½ cup in a glass-measuring cup. Sprinkle the egg mixture gradually over flour mixture, and mix with a stainless steel pastry blender until dough forms a ball. Divide dough into thirds.

For each single crust, roll out one-third dough on a floured board or pastry cloth to fit a 9-inch pie plate. Flute edges after placing in pie plate. Use with any pie recipe. Makes three single, 9-inch crusts.

Filling and Topping: By Mary Ann Pierce

### Filling:

2 - 51.oz Instant Vanilla Pudding  
2 - Packs Dry Dream Whip  
4 - cups milk  
1½ - cups Bakers Sweetened Angel Flake coconut

Mix pudding, dry dream whip and milk, mix well, and add coconut. Fill cool piecrust.

### Whip Cream Topping:

2 cups real whipping cream  
1 tbsp. sugar  
1 tsp. vanilla  
½ cup toasted coconut, sprinkle on top of whipped cream.



# January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2 Happy Birthday Elder Martiniana Roger	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 <b>Tribal Business meeting 6:30pm</b>	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Happy Birthday Elder Allen Duckworth Happy Birthday Elder Donald Pierce	24	25	26
27 * Cutting of the Roses	28	29	30	31	1	2
Tribal business meeting is the 2nd Wednesday of each month						

**THERE ARE NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED AT ANY TRIBAL EVENTS.**

**\* CUTTING OF THE ROSES at Mission San Antonio will be Sunday January 27th.**

**Next General Meeting will be in February at Mission San Miguel.**

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# T'epot'aha'ul The People of the Salinan Tribe

REMEMBER TO PRAY TO kensha:nel (CREATOR) TO keeheak (PROTECT) ALL lu wa' (MEN) AND lets'e (WOMAN) SERVING IN THE WAR. AND BRING THEM Ta'ma (HOME) SAFE.

## Vision of the Salinan Tribe

We, as the Salinan Tribe, follow the way of our ancestors as we walk the path of our heritage toward becoming complete individuals. We exercise our rights as a sovereign entity. We continue to reawaken our culture. Each and every tribal member has an equal voice.

We, as the Salinan Tribe, commit to honoring the rights of each and every tribal member to practice our spiritual, individual, or religious beliefs. We remember and honor our ancestors, elders, and children now and for all generations to come.

We as the Salinan Tribe, continue to gather as a tribal family.

