

## Yuba-Sutter Habitat for Humanity

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Sierra Vista III in Linda



Vue Thao is a 72 year old Laos Native that came to America in the 1980's with his family. He served in a "secret army" with the CIA as a young child in Laos, helping Americans locate fallen soldiers, planes and gave coordinates of enemy fire. Because he was not a US citizen or in a formal branch of the Military his heroism is often overlooked. Please help us celebrate this incredible hero and all of those he served, starting at the age of only 14!

Vue has 8 living, well-loved and very proud children. We struggle to articulate the right words to describe the love and pride that surrounded him as he walked into his very first owned home. He is well respected, and this family is a beautiful story of strength, tradition, and love.

Vue had 8 children with his first wife in Laos and sadly his wife and 4 of his 8 children passed. He met his second wife at a refugee camp in Thailand and had 4 more children. The Thao family moved to Marysville in 1989 where they found their forever community and raised their children. Vue Thao has lived a life many of us cannot even imagine and sacrificed more than most not only for his children, but also our Country.

Vue has not only moved into his first home as the owner but also moved into a community where he already has family as neighbors, including his son. As we stood outside of his new home family came walking up from around the corner as well as multiple Partner Families that drove by honking, waving, and welcoming their new neighbors. Knowing that we could be a part of Vue finding his forever home, next to his family, where he can live out his life with the dignity, he deserves is exactly what Habitat for Humanity Yuba-Sutter works so hard for.