MARIPOSA COUNTY

Name	Elected	Oath of Office	CAA President	Retired	Deceased
Thomas Monk	6/3/1850 **				
Samuel M. Bailey	8/1850				
J.F.A. Marr	12/2/1850 +				
James M. Roane	9/3/1851			10/20/1852	
A.F. Washburn	10/20/1852 **			5/12/1853	
Robert S. Miller	5/12/1853 **				
George H. Crenshaw	9/7/1853				
Nat Harbert	2/5/1856 +				
J.F. Jenkins	9/2/1857, 9/9/1859			2/14/1860	
Samuel B. Thomas	2/14/1860 **, 11/6/1860				
George W. Cornell	9/10/1861				
A.C. Kelly	9/2/1863				
William F. Coffman	9/6/1865, 9/4/1867, 9/1/1869, 9/6/1871				
Maurice Newman	9/1/1875, 9/3/1879, 11/7/1882				
Joseph H. Ridgeway	11/2/1886				
Joseph J. Trabucco	11/7/1890				
F.W. Schlageter	11/6/1894, 11/8/1898				
C. Paul Pratt	11/4/1902, 11/6/1906				
Frank A. Bondshu	11/8/1910,				

	11/3/1914, 11/5/1918, 11/7/1922			
Everett W. Bagby	11/2/1926, 8/26/1930, 8/28/1934			
Norman Canova	8/30/1938		7/6/1942	
Juanita Canova	7/6/1942 **			
J.W. Warford	8/25/1942, 6/4/1946			
H.E. Freyschlag	8/18/1947 **		10/5/1948	
Kenneth L. Arndke	10/6/1948 **, 6/8/1954, 6/3/1958, 6/5/1962, 6/7/1966, 6/2/1970			
John A. Owen, Jr.	6/4/1974			
Stephen F. Dunbar	2/5/1977 **, 6/6/1978, 6/8/1982, 6/3/1986	2/5/1977	1990	6/24/2022
Gary Estep	11/6/1990	1/7/1991		
Robert Lowrimore	04/01/2001 **			
Becky Crafts	06/06/2007	1/9/2007	 03/01/2017	3/23/2017
Brent Joseph	03/01/2017**		12/28/2018	
Vincent P. Kehoe	12/28/2018** 06/05/2018 06/07/2022	1/8/2019		

Mariposa County was created on February 18, 1850. It is one of the original twenty-seven counties of the State of California. This county took its name from the Mariposa River. The meaning of "Mariposa" in the language of the Spanish is "butterfly". There is some doubt as to how this stream derived its name. According to one story, in June 1807, a party of Californians from the San Joaquin Valley made one of their annual excursions into the Sierra Nevada Mountains for the purpose of hunting elk. Camping upon the banks of a river, they were charmed and delighted with the gorgeous butterflies with variegated colors that hovered around them in countless numbers, and because of this they gave to the stream the name "Mariposa". Another beautiful story, and probably more authentic, is that the first explorers in the mountains of that region beheld for the first time a beautiful lily growing everywhere, gay-colored, spotted, and in some respects resembling the wings of a butterfly. In their admiration, they gave to this dainty flower, the Calochortus, the name of Mariposa (Butterfly) Lily. *

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On April 8, 1873, the term of this office was extended to four years.

- * H.M. Moreno, <u>Moreno=s Dictionary of Spanish-Named California Cities and Towns</u>, (San Luis Obispo, CA, 1916)
- ** Appointed