



Dennis Ralph Divoky

August 8, 1946 - February 17, 2022

Dr. Dennis R. Divoky, 75, of Crystal Falls, MI, passed away February 17th, 2022, surrounded by his wife Debra and his good friend, Dave Borsch, after a long, hard-fought battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis complicated by Covid-19.

Dennis was born on August 8th, 1946, to Frank and Ellen (Remus) Divoky of Chicago, IL. He graduated from Kelly High School in Chicago in 1964. Dennis' love of education drove his decision to enter Chicago State University's teaching program, and he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1968. Dennis's continuing personal education led him to earn a Master of Science Degree from Loyola University in Chicago in 1975, and he earned his Doctorate in Education, also from Loyola University in 2000.

Dennis worked as a drafting and computer science teacher at Prosser Vocational High School in Chicago for 27 years. He then worked as principal at Zion Junior High School in Zion, IL and as administrator at The Allendale Academy; in all, Dennis enjoyed a 41-year career as an educator. Dennis was also a skilled craftsman and woodworker, and his artistic creations brought joy to those whom he loved.

Dennis retired in 2009, moving from Illinois to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and falling in love with Crystal Falls. In retirement, Dennis continued to pursue his love of woodworking, fishing, and loving the outdoors. Dennis also became a Crystal Fall Community volunteer. He joined the Knights of

Columbus, working to become a 4th Degree Knight. He held several positions in the Marquette West District, including District Deputy Membership Director and eventually becoming Grand Knight.

Preceded in death by grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. Dennis is survived by his beloved wife Debra, sons David (Cathy) and Daniel (Erin), 5 adored grandchildren Hayley, Nicholas, Keara Jo, Kayleen, and Jack; and his Brother Wayne (Anne Marie, deceased). Dennis is also survived by sister-in-law's Barbara (Ronald, deceased) Siegel, Wilma (Harold) Kallies, Martha (Paul) Week; nieces Ericka Kallies, Veronica (Chad) Stewart, and nephews Roger (Karen) Corp, Mark (Pamela) Divoky, Mike Divoky, Brian (Tasia) Kallies, Steven (Joy) Kailles, and Jonathan (Andrea) Weeks. Dennis will be missed by "The Birthday Club", prayer group buddies, and his beloved Knights.

Mass for Dennis will be held on Saturday, March 12th, 2022 at Guardian Angel's Catholic Church, 412 Crystal Ave., Crystal Falls, MI 49920 at 11:00 A.M. Father Dan Malone will officiate, followed by a celebration of Dennis' life, in the Parrish Hall. The Divoky Family welcomes Masses, or donations to The Mayo Clinic or the Crystal Falls Community Library.

Memorial may be made in his memory.

Condolences to the family of Dr. Dennis R. Divoky may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home and cremation Services of Crystal Falls with arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

MAR 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Guardian Angels Catholic Church
412 Crystal Ave.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Tribute Wall

VN

“ *Much condolences to you, Deb. Bev told me that the funeral went well. I'm just around the corner, so let me know what I can do for you.*

valerie novak - March 18, 2022 at 01:13 PM

MB

“ *Deb and family,
You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. The memories will always remain. Love to you all. Mike & Mary Bjork*

Mike Bjork - March 14, 2022 at 07:51 AM

JR

“ *Joseph, Tammy , Robert and Donna Reiss purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dennis Ralph Divoky.*



Joseph, Tammy , Robert and Donna Reiss - March 11, 2022 at 11:42 AM

MD

“ *Mark and Pamela Divoky purchased the [Memorial Trees](https://www.nashfuneralhome.net/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) for the family of Dennis Ralph Divoky.*

Mark and Pamela Divoky - March 10, 2022 at 10:44 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Dennis Ralph Divoky.*



March 08, 2022 at 11:09 AM



“ *Dr. And Mrs. C.E. Whalen lit a candle in memory of Dennis Ralph Divoky*



Dr. and Mrs. C.E. Whalen - March 04, 2022 at 09:39 PM



“ *Susan & David Borsch lit a candle in memory of Dennis Ralph Divoky*



susan & David Borsch - March 04, 2022 at 08:07 PM



“ *Deb and family, Holding you all in our hearts with prayers that your loving memories help get you through this very difficult time. Dennis meant a lot to us. He was such a wonderful friend and we will miss him terribly. ‘Welcome Child, the Angels sing. Where God’s embrace is known. There’s no more fear or earthly pain...Your Loved one’s safely Home.’ Love you. Dave & Sue*

Sue & Dave Borsch - March 04, 2022 at 09:29 AM