



Dennis L. Mitchell

September 14, 1947 - June 27, 2017

Dennis L. Mitchell Sr.

69, of Crystal Falls, passed away on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at his home in Crystal Falls. He was born on Sept. 14, 1947. Dennis attended Crystal Falls Schools and graduated from Crystal Falls High School in 1966. He graduated with an Associate's Degree in Diesel Mechanics from Michigan Tech University in 1967.

Dennis was drafted into the United States Army in 1968, serving during the Vietnam War with the Army 2nd Battalion 60th Infantry 9th Division from 1968 until his honorable discharge in 1970. While serving, he earned the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement.

After returning home from serving his country, Dennis went to work for the City of Crystal Falls as a Lineman with the Electrical Department. Many Crystal Falls residents had a chance to say hi to him as he maintained and repaired utility lines and walked through the neighborhoods reading the electrical meters every month. He worked for the City for 35 years, retiring in 2006. Dennis married Arlene Dahl on July 1, 1972 in Crystal Falls, they have been lifelong residents of Crystal Falls and together raised four children. They would have celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on July 1st.

Dennis was a twenty-five year member of the Crystal Falls Fire Department, during which he was a part of 15 UP Firefighters Tournament Championship teams. He enjoyed rides around Fortune Lake in the pontoon boat, hunting, and taking care of his home and yard. His family was most important to him and he especially enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Dennis is survived by his parents, Alice and Walt Hagglund of Crystal Falls; his loving wife, Arlene; his children, Brenda (Tony) Ragio of Crystal Falls, Tracie (Erik) McNichol of East Tawas, MI, Angela (Ric) Stoor of Waunakee, WI and Dennis Mitchell Jr. of Crystal Falls; grandchildren, Billy and Kelsey Ragio, Connor McNichol, Hattie and Jack Stoor.

Visitation will be on Friday, June 30, 2017 from 2:00 pm to 5:00pm at the Nash Funeral Home in Crystal Falls. The Crystal Falls Fire Department will conduct a pass in review at 4:15pm and the Eastside Veterans pass in review at 4:45pm Friday. The Funeral Service will follow at 5:00pm at the funeral home. Fr. Daniel Malone will officiate. Burial will be in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery.

Condolences to the family of Dennis Mitchell can be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

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

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Cemetery

311 Logan St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 N. Third St.
Crystal Falls

Funeral Service

JUN 30. 5:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 North Third St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Tribute Wall

SS

“ Jim & I send our sincere condolences to your entire family, Arlene. We were very saddened by the news of Dennis' passing. I know my parents enjoyed both of you very much. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely, Jim & Susan Stoor

Susan Stoor - July 08, 2017 at 04:58 PM

LA

“ Lorna Anderson lit a candle in memory of Dennis L. Mitchell



Lorna Anderson - July 03, 2017 at 10:06 AM

LA

Fond memories of Denny are rooted in childhood when he and my brother, Jon, and Gary Miller hung around together. Denny was a blessing to many then and throughout his life. He always wore a smile and was more than willing to "make your day" by lifting your spirits with his genuine kindness and sense of humor. Our community will miss the presence of this very special man.

Lorna Anderson - July 03, 2017 at 10:53 AM

JC

“ We send our deep sympathy in your devastating loss. Our fond memory of Dennis is of a trip around Fortune Lake on the pontoon boat last year with other family members. He was so kind, patient and helpful. We enjoyed that relaxing day and will treasure the memory of him and his big grin.

Jerry & Bonnie Chesky - June 30, 2017 at 02:02 PM

SG

“ So sorry to hear this shocking news. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. He was a great person & has a fantastic legacy. May your fond memories of him comfort you in this time of sorrow. With Deep Sympathy :(

Sheree Graham - June 30, 2017 at 11:15 AM



“ Many fond memories of Mitch! Never forget growing up a CFFD kid and all the good times our families had together. Always loved his jokes and sense of humor. Our sincere condolences to the Mitchell family.

Ron, Shyela Graham and family

Ron Graham - June 29, 2017 at 10:15 PM

TH

“ So sorry for your loss will always remember his smiling face, it seemed he was always happy. Our community will miss him. Our prayers go out to you all. Love from Ray and Terri Hagglund and family.

terri hagglund - June 29, 2017 at 01:03 PM

MS

“ Sorry and saddened for your loss!
From, Mary Jane

Mary Jane Soderberg - June 29, 2017 at 12:18 PM

GD


“ I am going to miss Mitch shouting out to me every time he saw me " Hey Pollach".

gene dziubinski - June 29, 2017 at 10:18 AM

ME

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with your entire family. I am so sorry for your loss and even though I didn't know Dennis, I am so touched reading about his life and impact on this world. - Melissa Brunskill (co-worker of Angie)*

Melissa - June 29, 2017 at 10:08 AM

 Pam Krueger

“ *Pam Krueger purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dennis L. Mitchell.*




Pam Krueger - June 29, 2017 at 08:50 AM

EH

“ *" Positive thoughts and Prayers headed towards the entire Mitchell Family during this most difficult time." (Lighting a candle at St Thomas Aquinas) Ed Hellenbrand, co-worker of Angela*

ed hellenbrand - June 29, 2017 at 08:23 AM

 Pam Krueger

“ *Pam Krueger lit a candle in memory of Dennis L. Mitchell*



Pam Krueger - June 29, 2017 at 07:43 AM

 Pam Krueger

I am so very sorry for your loss. Dennis was such a great guy. Our prayers go to the family at this difficult time. May you all find peace.

Pam Krueger - June 29, 2017 at 07:45 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis L. Mitchell.



June 28, 2017 at 10:13 PM



“ Dennis was a great classmate, always a happy guy, My sympathy to all of his family.
Kathie Peterson Hill

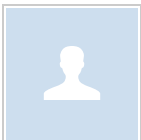


Kathie Hill - June 28, 2017 at 09:51 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers go out to you Arlene and family. I'll always remember that smile and laugh. Peace to you all!

Carrie Ivey - June 28, 2017 at 01:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis L. Mitchell.



June 28, 2017 at 12:45 PM

LY

“ *Arlene, Denny, and girls.....so saddened by your loss. Mitch was a great-full of spirit kind of guy. He will be missed by many. Hold on tight to your memories and to each other for strength. On the wings of Angels.....*
Wade & Lynda



Lynda - June 28, 2017 at 11:34 AM