



Dennis C. Spidle

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Dennis C. Spidle, age 62, of Lewes, DE became a fully healed spirit on Monday October 17, 2016. He was born in Harrisburg, PA on April 20, 1954, son of the late Clark and Betty Spidle.

After a courageous battle of 48 years with Type 1 Diabetes, he passed away unexpectedly, but peacefully. Dennis was loved and admired for his positive attitude throughout all his health challenges. He was a free-spirited man that projected sunshine to all he met. Dennis was a devoted and loving husband, son, brother, uncle and friend. He enjoyed golfing, boating, fishing, and hanging out on his deck visiting with friends. His passion was his music - either a tune coming from his BOSE system, or shouting out his own lyrics. His impact on so many lives is his legacy. His smile will live on forever in our hearts.

Dennis attended Harrisburg Barber School and practiced his first career as a barber/stylist for 15 years. His next 20 years, he dedicated his skills representing BAC Local 5 Harrisburg as a Field Rep and Vice Chairmen on the IU Executive Board. While in these positions, he formed lifelong bonds with so many individuals that he admired and respected.

In addition to his parents, Dennis was preceded in death by his brother John Spidle. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Patricia Atkinson Spidle - whom he always referred to as his "angel". He is survived by his siblings: Clark (Gloria), Robert (Dolores), Michael (Doris), Wanda Able, and Linda Peck. He also had so many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews that he cherished with all his heart. Dennis always said he was put on the earth to be a good uncle. That he was, indeed. He's watching over with a smile for his furry friends Buster, Zoey, and Buddy.

A Celebration of Dennis's life will be held on April 29, 2017 at Hagy Park in Dauphin, PA. Dennis loved his hometown, family and many friends and would be so humbled knowing his wife honored his wishes.



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In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Dennis' memory to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), 26 Broadway, 14th Floor
New York, NY 10004.

Please sign the online guest register.



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JK

Jeanet Keener posted:

I met Dennis and Pat just a little over a year ago. I was drawn to his sweet demeanor and loved his ability to always carry on in a positive way. Even though I only knew him a short time, I feel blessed to have shared the time with him that I did have. The courage and attitude that he and Pat had was truly inspiring. Vickie and I will miss him tremendously. I'm so glad that she got to meet and talk with him because he was an extraordinary person. Until we meet again my friend.....

November 4 at 3:10 PM



Troy Spidle posted:

I have so many great memories with you guys through the years. I'll never forget the trip to the beach when u got married and sneaking sips of asti in the back of my dads pickup. Denny had a big influence on me and my life. He was there when we lost our baby and had some encouraging words for me in those difficult times. I always admired the strength he had through the years to fight the terrible disease the way he did. Till we meet again, Rest In Peace buddy

October 29 at 5:36 AM

MF

Marshall Franklin posted:

I have known Den all my life, he was an inspiration with how he handled everything that was thrown at him. I never saw him in my 51 years without a smile on his face, a song in his heart, or a story crossing his lips. Den my friend you will be missed dearly.....RIP Sir.

October 29 at 3:53 AM

MK

Margie Diehl Knisely posted:

Who didn't live the smile and big heart of Denny! Something would be wrong with you if you didn't appreciate this man. We were fellow classmates at the Harrisburg Barber School in 1974 and boy did we give that school lots to remember us by. Denny became a great Barber, a Master! My only regret is not getting down to Lewis to visit with him and Patty. I know it would have stirred up so many wonderful stories to tell our spouses and cause for lots of laughter. Hope to see him at Heavens doors if I'm lucky, someday!My heart hurts for you Patty, we did not know how close time was for Denny. And we would never have been able to make the trip, not for a while. I hope to talk to you soon when we get straightened out a little more. May God Bless you and grant you Peace.

October 28 at 6:47 PM



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Chris And Brian posted:

Den was one of the most amazing and humble men I've ever met. Brian and I became friends with Den and Pat 10+ years ago. it wasn't long before we were hanging out, listening to music, enjoying many dinners together and listening to many fun stories from both of them. Den and Pat shared a love for each other that many couples will never realize. Den was a strong and courageous man who faced many health challenges. He was blessed to have a loving wife, Pat, to take care of him. Brian and I will miss Den so much. His smile, laughter and easy go lucky personality. Until we meet again my friend. We love you!! RIP

October 28 at 3:14 PM



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October 28 at 2:02 PM



Cathy Atkinson Leiby lit a candle in honor of Dennis.



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Shine Bright!



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Cathy Atkinson Leiby posted:

Dennis was a great brother in law. No one could ever ask for a better person or role model then him. He never left anything step in his way of living life to the fullest. Even when he was thrown issues that he couldn't control, he went through them with the greatest of attitude and pride. He will be sadly missed by everyone who came in contact with him or crossed his path. It is comfortingly knowing that he is not in any pain anymore and he is enjoying life on the other side. He will always be by our side and in our hearts guiding us every day in our busy lives that we lead. Till we meet again great man.....RIP.Cathy

October 28 at 1:50 PM



Nanette Lamb posted:

Den wad an amazing warrior! My heartfelt sympathies to Pat and the rest of the family.

October 28 at 1:06 PM



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GH

Ginny Hysock lit a candle in honor of Dennis.



October 22 at 11:17 AM

CY

Cyndi October 28 at 11:43 PM

We lost one of the good guys...one of the really good guys. Always there for anyone that needed him, always ready to jam to some good funky music, always setting a good example for my kids and many others, always supportive of his Union Brothers and Sisters and what they stood for and most importantly, always there for Pat, the love of his life, for whom he was more concerned about how his health issues would affect her life, than his. There really aren't words to do this man justice. Much love to Pat and I can never thank you enough for bringing this man into my life and the lives of my family. Even though my heart is sad, I will always think of you, Den, with a smile. Rest in Peace my dear friend. God knows, you deserve it.

TJ

Tammy & John October 28 at 3:08 PM

He was an inspiration to all that met him and will be missed by so many. Our hearts and prayers are with you Patty. Heaven has another shining star. Tammy & John

MG

Mary Jo Graci October 28 at 3:29 AM

He no longer suffers in pain, he endured so much but never complained. He was an amazing man and friend. Thank you Patricia by all the hard work, dedication and love you gave to this man, may he RIP in heaven.

LL

Liz Laplante October 27 at 6:52 AM

Joy is the one of the most important things I've found in this life. Denny, you brought joy to me every time I got to see you, thank you for that! Sleep well Denny, till we meet again.

GH

Ginny Hysock October 22 at 11:18 AM

My condolences to Pat and the rest of Denny's family. May he rest in peace in God's care.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dennis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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