



Dennis Ray Jackson

September 27, 1946 - April 13, 2024

Dennis Ray Jackson, 77, passed away on April 13, 2024. He was born on September 27, 1946, in Cincinnati, Ohio and resided most of his life in Anderson, Indiana.

Dennis graduated from Anderson College in 1968 with a BA in Business. He graduated from Ball State University in 1973 with a Master's Degree in Education. Dennis was a school teacher for 10 years before becoming a full-time auctioneer.

He was an auctioneer for over 50 years, and served in leadership positions for the Indiana and National Auctioneer Associations.

He was an active member of South Meridian Church of God since the mid-1960's and enjoyed being involved with leading the youth group and later as a Sunday School Teacher.

Dennis loved his family, friends, and colleagues. He will be remembered for his love for God, deep friendships, making everyone laugh, love for animals, storytelling ability, generosity, playing Santa, empathy and support of others, quick wit, patience, love and acceptance of others regardless of differences, and ability to entertain others as an auctioneer. The greatest joys in his life were being married to his wife for nearly 55 years, being a father for over 50

years, being a grandpa to his 16 grandchildren, and recently a great-grandson.

Dennis is survived by his loving wife, Sheila (Smart) Jackson; children, Bryan (Karry) Jackson and Michele (Wayne DeVeydt) Jackson; 16 grandchildren, Kaylee, Kiawna, Kaitlyn, Alec, Isaiah, Emma, Ana, Trenton, Gabby, Sydney, Kingston, Thaxton, Elias, Rylan, Cashton, & Snow; and great-grandson, Maverick. Dennis served like a father to many of the young men & women that worked with him in the auction business (Tim Lilly, Travis & Kurt Wilson and many others).

He was preceded in death by beloved grandson, Alec Jackson; parents, Ruth and Ellis Jackson; and in-laws, Frances (Smart) Morgan (Everett Smart and Frank Morgan).

Visitation will be held Saturday, April 20, 2024, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm at South Meridian Church of God, 2402 Meridian St., Anderson, IN 46016. Services will follow visitation at 2:30 pm at the church. Burial will take place in the Anderson Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions may be made at: GlobalOrphanFoundation.org or at: ChildrenofPromise.global.

www.LooseCares.com.

Cemetery Details

Anderson Memorial Park

6805 Doctor M.L.K. Jr. Blvd.
Anderson, IN 46013

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

South Meridian Church of God
2402 Meridian Street
Anderson, IN 46016

Service

APR 20. 2:30 PM (ET)

South Meridian Church of God
2402 Meridian Street
Anderson, IN 46016

Tribute Wall

JK

“ Family and friends, the news of Dennis' Example, passing was very sad news for many of us. Many of us knew Dennis as a very gracious and fair and friendly individual. He will be missed. Our prayers go to all family and friends.

jack keesling - February 08, 2025 at 11:50 AM

JH

“ Jo Ann Hirata sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Ray Jackson



Jo Ann Hirata - June 29, 2024 at 08:21 PM

JH

“ I just recently learned of the passing of Dennis a few months ago, and I am so saddened. He was a man of integrity, love of his family, and just a wonderful human. Sincerest condolences to his wife, Brian, Michele, grandchildren, and the rest of his family/friends, and auction staff. The world was a better place with Dennis, and he will be sorely missed...

Jo Ann Hirata - June 29, 2024 at 08:19 PM

JD

“ May God embrace & comfort the family of Dennis Jackson. My son & I attended many of his auctions...Dennis always shared with us... a smile, professionalism, warmth, patience, acceptance, and always had a teaspoon of laughter to share. I feel blessed to have known you... "Go rest high on that mountain"

Janet Dowers - April 22, 2024 at 07:10 PM

BW

“ *Sheila, so sorry for you and your family's loss. Sandy and I have such fond memories of getting to know you back in the 60's at ole' AC, and after. Praying for God's comfort and presence. Bill & Sandy Webb*

Bill Webb - April 21, 2024 at 09:12 PM

JG

“ *Please accept our sincere sympathy in the loss of Dennis. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. John and Joanie Grimes*

JOAN GRIMES - April 21, 2024 at 11:56 AM

DJ

“ *Sheila, Bryan, and Michele I am so sorry about Dennis. I would have come to the service but have a respiratory infection. My prayers are with you now and the days to come. Fondly, Diana Johnson*

Diana Johnson - April 20, 2024 at 04:35 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Loose Funeral Home - April 20, 2024 at 07:46 AM

ML

“ Michael L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.

Michael L. - April 19, 2024 at 10:13 PM

JK

“ Jonathan, Anna, Jack and Hardee Kraft purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



Jonathan, Anna, Jack and Hardee Kraft - April 19, 2024 at 03:01 PM

JK

“ Jonathan, Anna, Jack and Hardee Kraft planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.

Jonathan, Anna, Jack and Hardee Kraft - April 19, 2024 at 03:01 PM

FW

“ Frankie and Tim Whitesel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.

Frankie and Tim Whitesel - April 19, 2024 at 02:19 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.*



April 19, 2024 at 02:19 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.*



April 19, 2024 at 10:47 AM



“ *Matt, Tiffany, Blake, Madeline & Mary planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.*

Matt, Tiffany, Blake, Madeline & Mary - April 19, 2024 at 10:47 AM



“ *Sheila, we were so sorry to hear of Dennis' passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, the kids, and all your family at this difficult time. Love, Steve & Kim Vallance*

Kim Vallance - April 18, 2024 at 11:08 PM

LC

“ Love, ITOWN Church purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



Love, ITOWN Church - April 18, 2024 at 06:54 PM

JU

“ Many warm memories of Dennis at the FBICC Conventions over the years. I will always remember his humor and professionalism. My Sympathy to all his Family. Judith Boles

JudithBoles - April 18, 2024 at 06:23 PM

JB

“ Dennis was the auctioneer at our flow blue club's annual convention for over twenty years. The auction is the highlight of our weekend, and Dennis helped make it special with his interaction among bidders, urging them to "not give up now"! He was considered a friend to many of us, and we will miss him deeply.



Judy C Boyer - April 18, 2024 at 04:41 PM

KB

“ Denis was a special person who made auctions fun.

Kim Y Boyer - April 18, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ With love, Todd and Carolyn Allen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.

With love, Todd and Carolyn Allen - April 18, 2024 at 04:23 PM



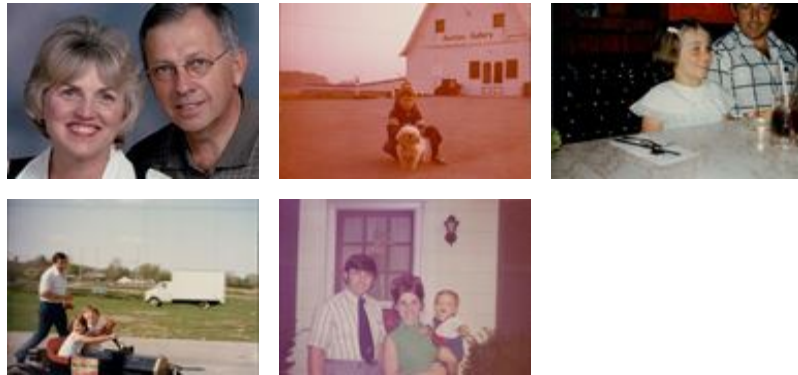
“ With love, Todd and Carolyn Allen purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



With love, Todd and Carolyn Allen - April 18, 2024 at 04:23 PM



“ 161 files added to the album Life Tributes



Loose Funeral Home - April 18, 2024 at 04:11 PM

BG

“ *Brown County Art Guild purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.*



Brown County Art Guild - April 18, 2024 at 04:00 PM

TF

“ *The Christy Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.*

The Christy Family - April 18, 2024 at 03:45 PM

TF

“ *The Christy Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.*



The Christy Family - April 18, 2024 at 03:45 PM

YP

“ *Yok P. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.*

Yok P. - April 18, 2024 at 02:35 PM

PW

“ Phil & Jackie Waymire planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.

Phil & Jackie Waymire - April 18, 2024 at 01:55 PM



“ Serenity Prayer 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



April 18, 2024 at 01:55 PM

KF

“ Kenneth and Nancy Jackson and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



Kenneth and Nancy Jackson and Family - April 18, 2024 at 01:09 PM

BR

“ What a privilege to call Dennis friend for over 50 years. He was always so warm and upbeat. We loved his humor and he never failed to bring a smile. Our hearts are broken, but know that Dennis is with his Lord and Savior. This earth has lost a good, good man. Sheila, you and your precious family can count on our prayers. Love, Bill and Linda Rigel

Bill and Linda Rigel - April 18, 2024 at 11:31 AM

LC

“ Love Melisa Carothers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



Love Melisa Carothers - April 18, 2024 at 08:26 AM

GM

“ Great memories of working with Dennis at farm machinery & basket auctions as well as serving on the Indiana Auctioneers board together. Lots of good times at state & national auction conventions. Always a gentleman & a man of faith, he was a mentor to many & a friend to even more. He will be missed. Pam & I pray for God's comfort & grace for your family during this difficult time. Greg Michael

Greg M Michael - April 18, 2024 at 08:09 AM

TF

“ Our deepest sympathy to Sheila and her family. Terry and Linda Fasel

Terry Fasel - April 18, 2024 at 08:02 AM

PS

“ Pam Spiegl lit a candle in memory of Dennis Ray Jackson



Pam Spiegl - April 17, 2024 at 10:19 PM

PS

“ What I loved most about Dennis was his compassionate heart. He truly accepted others regardless of their differences and had a way of including them and making them feel valued.
My favorite memory of Dennis is when he put on a mock auction for our daughter and her cousins (when they were kids) to show them what an auction was like. He made it fun and everyone was engaged and entertained.
Sending much love & prayers for my cousin Sheila and family

Pam Spiegl - April 17, 2024 at 10:16 PM

JK

“ Family and friends, we've lost a fine gentleman. Many of us have known Dennis for many many years. He was an excellent family person and school board member, and businessman. We hope your many fun memories will sustain you now, and in the future. Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone.

jack keesling - April 17, 2024 at 08:52 PM

PS

“ Words cannot explain how much we have loved our relationship for over 50 years. We treasure all the great times we had when the kids were growing up and afterwards also. We are already missing you SO much!

Pat and Sue - April 17, 2024 at 08:32 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



April 17, 2024 at 08:27 PM

SN

“ Snow planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Ray Jackson.

Snow - April 17, 2024 at 06:07 PM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Dennis Ray Jackson.



April 17, 2024 at 06:07 PM

LV

“ I am so heartbroken to know that Dennis is no longer here on earth. I also rejoice in the fact that he is with Jesus. Every time I was lucky enough to be in the room with Dennis, he made me laugh. Such a gentle, kind, hilarious, fun person he was - and he passed those qualities down to his amazing kids, Bryan and MJ. Praying for you all, Sheila. Love you and look forward to hugging your necks. Love, Lori Veal

Lori Veal - April 17, 2024 at 05:22 PM

TF

“ We are so thankful for the way Dennis tried to model his life after our Savior in everything he did. He and his family have blessed our family in so many ways over the years. Our family is lifting yours to the Lord in this difficult time.

Love,

The Housholder Family

The Housholder Family - April 17, 2024 at 04:02 PM

MJ

I love reading these comments. It brings such gratitude to my heart and soul.

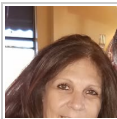
Michele Jackson - April 17, 2024 at 04:21 PM

VI

I will always remember Dennis driving 2-3 hours just to visit my dad when his hours were few. It meant so much to my dad and our family. So many found memories of Dennis. He will be missed by all that knew and loved him.

Vicki

Vicki - April 17, 2024 at 04:31 PM



I will always remember working with your Dad, he was so very kind. Sending hugs and prayers to all of you during this difficult time.
Sonja

Sonja Brown - April 17, 2024 at 04:42 PM

SF

“ We love your family and send hugs. This is a holy moment in the life of a family and one we cherish for you. Our hearts are with you. Roy & Sally Ferguson

Sally Ferguson - April 17, 2024 at 01:42 PM