



Dennis Arden Freitag

May 15, 1937 - January 27, 2017

Dennis Arden Freitag, 79, of Leesburg, Florida died January 27, 2017 at Cornerstone Hospice of Tavares. Funeral services will be held at Bethany Lutheran Church on January 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Marc Spaeth officiating. Internment of cremains will occur a few days later in a private family ceremony at Lady Lake Cemetery.

Dennis Freitag was the son of Henry R. and Elsie (Krueger) Freitag. He was born May 15, 1937 on his family's farm in Sherman Township, Redwood County in Minnesota. He was one of four brothers. He was baptized and confirmed at the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Morton, Minnesota.

Dennis received his kindergarten through twelfth grade education in Morton, Minnesota. After graduation, Dennis worked for a logging company in northern Minnesota and later for the Caven Grain and Feed Elevator in Franklin, Minnesota where he received training in farm animal husbandry through Purina. Dennis and his wife, Janice, and their family moved to Leesburg, Florida in 1960. Dennis was self-employed in sales for 55 years. He also attended Lake-Sumter Community College and had an active Florida real estate license for 34 years. On the topic of retirement, Dennis said, "I do get tired but have not yet put the letters 're' in front of it."

Dennis was a founding and charter member of Bethany Lutheran Church in Leesburg, Florida. He maintained active roles in his church up until a few days before his death. His hobbies were dancing with his wife, Janice, card playing, fishing, and watching sporting events. He loved the Leesburg Yellow Jackets' basketball teams where his daughters once played.

Dennis is survived by his wife, Janice Freitag. They were married 60 years. He is also survived by his children: Julie Thompson (Al), Tamara Hayman (John) Hayman, and Lynette Fields. Dennis also had seven grandchildren (Justin Thompson, Joshua Hayman, Jacob Hayman, Lindsay Hayman, Tessa Hayman, Trey Fields, and John Fields). Dennis is also survived by his sisters-in-law and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He was also preceded by his brothers: Lyle Freitag, Lloyd Freitag, and Norman Freitag.

Blessed be his memory. He was a good and honorable man. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Dennis Freitag's name to either Bethany Lutheran Church or

Cornerstone Hospice Tavares.

Cemetery

Lady Lake Cemetery

Lady Lake, FL,

Events

JAN 31 Funeral Service 02:00PM

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Bethany Lutheran Church

1334 Griffin Road, Leesburg, FL, US, 34748

Comments



“ I just finding out about the the news, and honestly shocked isnt the word. My prayers for Mrs. Freitag, Mr. Dennis was that neighbor from the movies for me, i had live in that homr from the time i was three years old, till i was 13, and i remember running over to there house to tell them about my day and, later growing up to having school fund raiser, and akways being able to count on them for a donation. Heping clean the house, raking the yard, they both made me feel welcome, but Mr. Dennis was a father figure for me when i really needed one. His words of advice still ring in my head. I pray you're in a better place now.
I love you dearly.
-Matthew Jean-Baptiste

Matthew Jean-Baptiste - May 16, 2017 at 12:46 AM



“ Jan and Family,
Thanks for a email today from classmate Geri Simmons, I learned of Denny's passing.
His loss is heart breaking, as we traveled the hallways of MHS for 12 years,shared many locker rooms, more wins than losses, served on School activities at almost every turn and stepped up to many challenges.
Our pathways went in separate ways since the wonderful school days for the Class of 1955, but the rare and infrequent contacts were always delightful. There are so many memories, as we recall them among the sadness and tears today. Supposedly, strong men never cry.....but today, we did.
John Greenslit

JOHN F GREENSLIT - January 31, 2017 at 02:03 PM