



Dennis Durwood Zank

May 25, 1961 - January 8, 2018

Dennis Durwood Zank, 56, of Charlotte, died unexpectedly on Monday, January 08, 2018 in Detroit. Dennis was born May 25, 1961 in Midland, MI, the son of Karl Durwood and Norma Joy (Gross) Zank. As a child, his family moved from Big Rapids to Charlotte, where he graduated high school in 1979. He received a mechanics license from Lincoln Technical Institute in Indiana before working several years as a heavy machinery mechanic in various places, including EATRAN, Spartan Motors, and DENSO Manufacturing. Most recently he worked as a well inspector and sold real estate with Location Realty in Hastings.

Dennis earned the rank of Eagle Scout and stayed involved in scouting with his sons. He took great pride in carpentry, crafting many beautiful woodworking pieces for his family and friends. Dennis also enjoyed Civil War reenacting, participating in many reenactments as a member of the Sons of the Civil War Veterans and the Seventh Michigan. He was also a lifetime member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 3552 in Charlotte. Above all, Dennis cherished time spent with his family.

Dennis is survived by his wife, Sandra Zank; sons, Brian Zank, Mike (Lindsey) Zank and Dustin (Samantha) Zank; grandchildren, Kelly, Avry, Kayleigh, Meihla, Lainey, and another on the way; great-granddaughter, Sheila; his parents, Durwood and Norma Zank; siblings, Dennise Zank-Devries, Jeff

(Kelly) Zank and Jodie (Chris) Vieau; grandmother, Nondis Zank; mother-in-law, Marge Pilbeam; and 8 nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 12, 2018 at Nashville United Methodist Church in Nashville, MI with Rev. Karen Kinney officiating. Visitation will be from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the church, just prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan's Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum in Eaton Rapids. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Dennis on his Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

Nashville United Methodist Church

Funeral Ceremony

JAN 12. 11:00 AM.

Nashville United Methodist Church

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Dennis Durwood Zank*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 11, 2018 at 04:11 PM

RS

WOW!! So sorry to hear of you son's death!! Will be praying for you. Watched the video and appreciated learning about Dennis.

Rosemary Stap - January 23, 2018 at 02:47 PM

KB

“ *Dear Durwood and Norma*

I'm so sorry to learn of Dennis death. "His" hand is on your shoulders

Karen and Tom Bergeman

Karren Bergeman - January 23, 2018 at 01:22 PM

RW

“ *Dear Norma, Durwood. and family: We are sorry to hear about your son. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God Bless you and your family and help you through this sorrowful time. Sincerely Rick and Linda Wahl*

Rick Wahl - January 12, 2018 at 11:14 PM

TW

“ *The office feels empty. Our right hand man is missing.
He will forever be missed
Love Location Reality and staff*

Tammy Waller - January 11, 2018 at 04:50 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Dennis Durwood Zank.*



January 11, 2018 at 03:35 PM



“ *44 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 11, 2018 at 02:05 PM

MR

“ *So sorry to hear of your passing my Friend. Rest in Heaven Dennis.*

Maureen Ryan - January 10, 2018 at 04:43 PM

PA

“ So shocked to hear about Denny’s passing. I will miss his smiling face at our fraternal meetings. May God wrap his arms around you and your family during this difficult time. May you be comforted in knowing that there is a real good man in heaven with the angels. My sincere condolences.



Paul D Arnold - January 10, 2018 at 04:06 PM

SD

“ Shiawassee County Health Department - Environmental Health Division would like to offer our sincere condolences. We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Shiawassee County Health Department - January 10, 2018 at 11:32 AM

PF

“ Profile Metal Forming purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dennis Durwood Zank.



Profile Metal Forming - January 10, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Dennis Durwood Zank.



January 10, 2018 at 10:21 AM

RF

“ Blessings to the Zank families as you remember Dennis. I learned a lot from him in the Boy Scouts, especially on outings like Northwoods and Klondike Derby. My prayers are with you.

Ray Francis - January 10, 2018 at 10:09 AM

HH

“ SUVCW Curtenius Guard Camp # 17 wishes to extend thoughts and prayers to the entire Zank family.

Harold Holcomb - January 10, 2018 at 09:30 AM

SM

“ May your cherished memories of this great man bring you comfort and may knowing that he is in God's loving embrace give you peace.



Suzanne Moore - January 10, 2018 at 07:03 AM

DB

“ Sorry to learn of Denny passing. My Prayers to Sandy, Norma, Durwood and Children.
You lost a dear one and we share your sorrow. We, his friends have lost a very special friend too. Just know we who knew him loved him as a brother too. My prayers are for you in this sad time and for Denny, knowing he is basking in glory in the Presence of his Lord.
Rest Easy Friend, Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty

Dave Bankhead - January 09, 2018 at 09:08 PM

DK

“ I always looked forward to catching up on things with Denny at the annual meetings. He was one of the nicest guys I have ever had the privilege of knowing. My thoughts and prayers are with him and his family at this time. So sorry for your loss!

May God bless you and keep you in His loving care.

Duane King

Duane King - January 09, 2018 at 06:05 PM

DG

“ Dennis and I were classmates through High School and became great friends. He used to enjoy playing "Disc Jockey" in the business that I owned. He was an avid fan of trains (he called it Foaming) carpentry and anything mechanical. I will always remember him for his Sharp Wit and twisted sense of humor, as he always made everyone laugh. Rest in Heaven Denny, you will be missed by many.

Daniel Griffin - January 09, 2018 at 04:49 PM

TB

“ Sending thoughts, prayers and love! Our heart breaks for you all! Rest in peace big cousin!!!

Love,
Tina, Brian and Samantha Brecker



Tina Brecker - January 09, 2018 at 10:25 AM

TF

“ *The Briggs Family purchased the Lovely One Sp
athiphyllum Plant for the family of Dennis
Durwood Zank.*



The Briggs Family - January 09, 2018 at 10:16 AM

BG

“ *My heart is breaking for all of you. Just know that you are in my
thoughts and prayers . I am sorry that I cant be there but know I am
with you in thoughts and sending much love. My love to all of you!
Aunt Bonnie*

Bonnie Gross - January 09, 2018 at 10:01 AM

 Loyd
Cords

“ *Loyd Cords lit a candle in memory of Dennis
Durwood Zank*



Loyd Cords - January 09, 2018 at 07:23 AM

LL

“ *Thinking of you Sandy an family of your loss. George an I
remember him as time spent working together at Eatran. We have
nothing but fond memories of working with Denny, seems to young
to be departed. God bless you as you work through life an your
broken heart Love George and Linda Leist*

Linda Leist - January 09, 2018 at 01:38 AM