



Dennis William McKessy

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Dennis William McKessy Sr., passed away on Saturday, April 25, 2020, at 86 years of age. Originally from New York, Dennis moved to Delray and then in his later years he moved to Vero Beach, Florida. He served in the Navy and received a Honorable Discharge. Dennis began a long and distinguished career working for the telephone company in New York, and then in 1964 he transferred to Bell South (previously Southern Bell) Telephone Company. Dennis was a lifetime member of the Delray Beach Elks Lodge #1770, where he served as Exalted Ruler in 1970-1971 and again in 1974-1975. He was an avid tennis player who enjoyed playing in charitable tournaments. Dennis was a big supporter of the Red Cross by donating blood more than 300 times.

Dennis was predeceased by his wife of almost 40 years, Joan. Together they have seven children, Dennis Jr. (Rachel), Jack (Ann), Mimi, Daniel, Shally, Rene (Joseph), and John; grandchildren, Alexandra (Brad), Nicole, Kevin (Michelle), Tom, Devlin, Kali and Carleigh; three great grandchildren, Taylor, Caitlin and Liam. Dennis has two younger brothers, Jack and Don.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Dementia Society of America or the American Red Cross.

To ensure the health and safety of our community, we are following all guidelines set by local, state and CDC officials. If you are planning on attending a service, please contact the family in advance, so that they can plan accordingly.




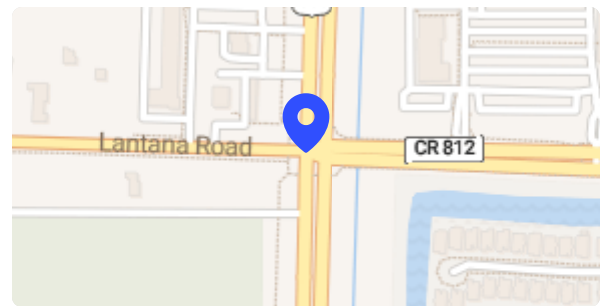
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Cemetery Details

 **South Florida VA National Cemetery**
6501 South State Road 7, Lake Worth FL 33449





Tribute Wall

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SM

Susan Angevine Mckessy posted:

Dennis is one of my two brothers-in-law, Jack is the other one. I got smart and married Dennis' youngest brother Dan. I finally met Dennis at about 6 months after Dan and I got married. He and Joanie could not come to Atlanta for the wedding, since she had just had surgery. So, in January 1994 we went to Delray for Dennis' 60th birthday party. I met all the McKessy family then, and what a fun party it was. They had it at their house and I think the whole Elks club showed up. Fun memories of Dennis and Joan as they moved to Sebastian, living in that camper for months as the house was being built is one event I will never forget. We saw them every year as we went to Pompano Beach in January for a little vacation. We just saw Dennis at his new memory unit this last January, and I had sense to take a photo of Dennis and Dan. I will bring it to the Memorial service and Celebration of Life for Dennis once it is scheduled. Lots of prayers and love to all the children, grandchildren and grandchildren, and of course cousins I cannot even begin to name. Love you all, see you soon, Susan Angevine McKessy

May 5 at 2:21 PM

DM

Debi Mulkey posted:

Dan and Susan, Sending you thoughts and love, and praying for your comfort and peace. I never got to meet Dennis, but I remember hearing wonderful things about him and I know you have many cherished memories.

May 5 at 1:18 PM

DM

Debi Mulkey lit a candle in honor of Dennis.



May 5 at 1:17 PM

MW

Martha & Art White lit a candle in honor of Dennis.



April 30 at 10:48 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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