



## Mark Blane Denison

October 7, 1961 - August 3, 2016

Mark Blane Denison, son of the late Raymond Edward Denison and Janette Lee Thompson, was born October 7, 1961 in Hawaii. Mark was raised by his father and stepmother, Raymond and Betty Denison. Due to his father being in the United States Navy, Mark grew up in Virginia Beach, Virginia. In the 1970's, Mark and the family moved to Arkansas where he graduated from high school.

Shortly after graduation, Mark enlisted in the United States Army and served his country faithfully for 10 years until his honorable discharge. He had attained the rank of Staff Sergeant and earned several awards and commendations; some of which include: Army Service Ribbon, Army Achievement Medal (1), Non Commissioned Officers Professional development Ribbon (1), Driver's Mechanic Badge, Army Good Conduct Medal (2nd Award) and the US Army Lapel Button.

In 1994, Mark moved to Waynesville to be closer to his family.

In December 1997, Mark met Michelle Ann Graves-Bales and they were united in marriage on June 11, 2005 in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. They shared over 11 years of marriage together and many wonderful memories.

After Mark finished his military career, he began working as a law enforcement

officer. He worked for the City of Waynesville as a police officer, as well as the city of St. Robert. He was a Military Police investigator for many years and for the last two years he served as Game Warden for Fort Leonard Wood.

In his spare time, Mark loved being outdoors; whether it was fishing, hunting or camping, he was always finding an excuse to spend time enjoying nature. On June 29, 2005, Mark was initiated into the Richland Masonic Lodge #385 and in December 2005 he became a Shriner and entered the Scottish Rite. Mark loved his dog Duke, but most importantly, he loved his family and treasured every moment he could spend with them.

Mark passed away Wednesday, August 3, 2016 in Montrose, Colorado having attained the age of 54 years. He will be sadly missed, but fondly remembered by all those that knew and loved him.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Michelle of the home; four children, Chad Denison (Angela) of State of Georgia, Jennifer Denison of the State of South Carolina, Jonathan Bales (Reba) of Waynesville, MO, and Lyndsey Burgess (Cody) of Waynesville, MO; five grandchildren, Seth, Derek and Gage Barnd, Emery Denison and Cooper Bales; his father-in-law, Larry Graves (Liz) of Richland, MO; his mother-in-law, Janis Graves of Waynesville, MO; sister-in-law, Rachelle Beasley (George) of Waynesville, MO, and brother-in-law, Larry Graves, Jr. (Samantha) of Montrose, CO; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 9, 2016 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Rev. Christopher Hendrix officiating. The songs "So Far Away" by Dire Straits and "When You Say Nothing At All" by Alison Krauss were played. Serving as escorts were the United States Army.

Burial with military honors followed in the Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery of Waynesville. Military honors were provided by the United States Army of Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Mark Denison and may be left at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery

Highway 17 South  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 8.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mark Blane Denison*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *SUE COVERT sent a virtual gift in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



**SUE COVERT** - August 10, 2016 at 07:30 AM



“ *Gary Don Brankel lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



**Gary Don Brankel** - August 09, 2016 at 08:46 PM



“ *Alan And Pam Cox Clark lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



**Alan and Pam Cox Clark** - August 09, 2016 at 04:24 PM

TF

“ *The Sparks Family lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



**The Sparks Family** - August 09, 2016 at 02:44 PM

PF

“ *Pamela Fry And Family lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



**Pamela fry and family** - August 09, 2016 at 02:41 PM

TF

“ *The Sparks Family lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



**The Sparks Family** - August 09, 2016 at 02:41 PM

RC

“ *Ralph Cook lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



**Ralph Cook** - August 09, 2016 at 12:06 PM

SA

“ Stacy And Shari Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Stacy and Shari Anderson - August 09, 2016 at 11:25 AM

NS

“ Nancy Sutton lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Nancy Sutton - August 09, 2016 at 09:02 AM

JG

“ Janis Graves lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Janis Graves - August 09, 2016 at 07:29 AM

GB

“ Gene & Debe Bess sent a virtual gift in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Gene & Debe Bess - August 08, 2016 at 11:33 PM



“ *Diana McLendon lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



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**Diana McLendon** - August 08, 2016 at 10:23 PM



“ *Jeff Hoglen lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



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**Jeff Hoglen** - August 08, 2016 at 10:04 PM



“ *Dawn Shimer lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



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**Dawn Shimer** - August 08, 2016 at 08:11 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of his passing. He was such a nice guy. I enjoyed working with him.*

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**Alice Blschoff** - August 08, 2016 at 06:38 PM

SF

“ Stephanie Billy Fenton lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Stephanie Billy Fenton - August 08, 2016 at 06:21 PM

MF

“ Marie Farias lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



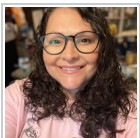
Marie Farias - August 08, 2016 at 05:29 PM

TZ

“ Tina Zarcone-King lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Tina Zarcone-King - August 08, 2016 at 02:46 PM



“ Jennifer Denison lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Jennifer Denison - August 08, 2016 at 02:12 PM

JD

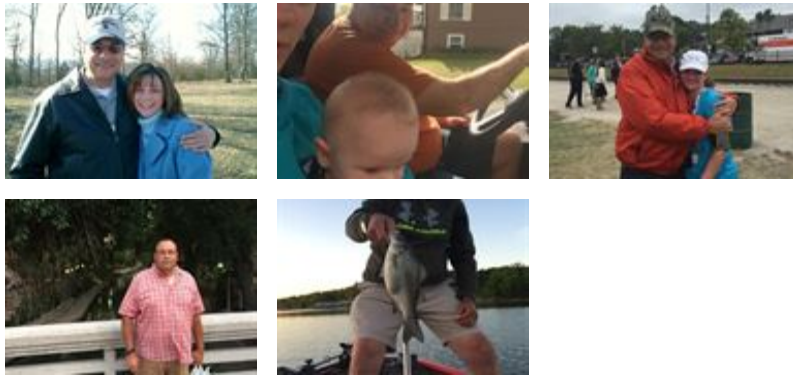
“ Jennifer Denison lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Jennifer Denison - August 08, 2016 at 02:10 PM



“ 147 files added to the album LifeTributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - August 08, 2016 at 02:08 PM

LH

“ My thoughts to Mark's family. He was a great guy. Luge Hardman

Luge Hardman - August 08, 2016 at 01:33 PM

ED

“ Emery Denison sent a virtual gift in memory of Mark Blane Denison



Emery Denison - August 08, 2016 at 12:39 PM

AD

“ *Angie Denison lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



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**Angie Denison** - August 08, 2016 at 12:35 PM

AD

*We are so sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you and love you. - Angie and Emery*

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**Angie Denison** - August 08, 2016 at 12:35 PM

RS

“ *Thank you for your Military Service! We will Miss You Dearly as a Friend & Classmate "1980" Prayer to all of His Family. From Rich & Bert Sadler*



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**Rich & Bert Sadler** - August 08, 2016 at 12:30 PM

LC

“ *Linda Cole-schonbok lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



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**Linda cole-schonbok** - August 08, 2016 at 12:23 PM

RS

*In Memory of Mark of his Military Service, Friendship & Classmate "1980" He will be Missed" as he rides his Motorcycle up to Heaven!!! We will see you again!!!*

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**Rich & Bert Sadler** - August 08, 2016 at 12:39 PM

SF

“ THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO  
FAMILY AND LOVED ONES.

SANDRA&ROLAND FAGAN  
SARAH&MATT &CHLOE BLACK



SANDRA FAGAN - August 08, 2016 at 12:16 PM

MI

“ Prayers for the wonderful family of a  
wonderful man.



missmollyann28@gmail.com - August 08, 2016 at 11:10 AM

NP

“ Nellie Pitcock lit a candle in memory of Mark  
Blane Denison



Nellie Pitcock - August 08, 2016 at 11:09 AM

AD

“ We are thinking of you. - Angie and Emery  
Denison



Angie Denison - August 08, 2016 at 10:52 AM

Chad Denison

“ *I miss you Dad!*”



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**Chad Denison** - August 08, 2016 at 10:39 AM

MS

“ *IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF HIS SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. PRAYERS GO OUT TO FAMILY AND LOVED ONES.*”



*MARLIN STEVENS*

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**MARLIN STEVENS** - August 08, 2016 at 09:50 AM

BO

“ *Bill O'Dell lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*”



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**Bill O'Dell** - August 08, 2016 at 09:34 AM

BO

*Always loved working with Mark at the Waynesville Police Dept.*

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**Bill O'Dell** - August 08, 2016 at 09:34 AM

LL

“ *Linda Levett lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



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**Linda Levett** - August 08, 2016 at 08:42 AM

AD

“ *Amee Dumas lit a candle in memory of Mark Blane Denison*



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**Amee Dumas** - August 08, 2016 at 08:30 AM