



Dennis J. Garrity

August 30, 1945 - February 3, 2014

In New Haven February 3, 2014 Dennis J. Garrity 68, of Hamden. Beloved husband of Sharon Durre Garrity. Loving father of Michael Garrity (Jill) of Cromwell, Brian Garrity of Hamden, Daniel Garrity (Monica) of Waterbury, Meaghan Vestergaard (Jaime) of Middletown and Kelly Shamas (CJ) of Stratford, dear brother of Jacquelyn Frawley (Dennis) of Safety Harbor, FL. Also survived by his cherished grandchildren Connor, Kevin, Colleen, Griffin, Jack, Jacob, and Grace Garrity. He was predeceased by his son Erin Garrity. Mr. Garrity was born in Chicago, August 30, 1945 son of the late John and Ruth Longua Garrity. He was the President of Bar-Plate Manufacturing, Co. in Hamden. Dennis was a U.S. Marine veteran having served in the Vietnam War. He was a member of the International Association of Diecutters & Diemakers. He was very active in the Boy Scouts both on the troop level and on the executive board.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated Thursday, Feb. 13th at 11 a.m. in St. Rita's Church, 1620 Whitney Ave. Hamden. Calling hours will be Wednesday Feb. 12th from 4 - 8 p.m. in Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden. In lieu of flowers contributions to Smilow Cancer Center, P.O. Box 7611 New Haven, 06519-0611. www.siskbrothers.com

Previous Events

Calling hours

FEB **12**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home
3105 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT 06518
(203) 288-7114
siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net

Funeral service

FEB **13**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Rita Church
1620 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT

Tribute Wall

RB

“ Sharon, what a loss you and your family must feel. Sandy and I send our heartfelt sympathy to you. Throughout my short tenure in the die cutting industry, I always looked forward to seeing Dennis and you at the various shows. DREC was always a fun time especially when Dennis was in high form.

He was "one of a kind".

Fondly, Roger & Sandy Brown

Roger Brown - February 13, 2014 at 01:10 PM

GG

“ I would like to offer my sincere condolences to the entire Garrity clan on behalf of everyone here at Central Die Supplies.

Gino Gualtieri - February 13, 2014 at 05:40 AM



“ Celestial Love was purchased for the family of Dennis J. Garrity.



February 12, 2014 at 08:56 AM



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“ *At a young age of 24 this man took me under his wing and is very much responsible for the man I am today. Not only on a business level but a personal level as well.. He mentored me in life.. Hard as nails on the outside but as loving and caring as anyone I know on the inside. Thank you Dennis for everything you will be missed by so many.. To Sharon and the family you know my feelings.. We all grew up together.. My heart and prayers are with you all..*
Jeff, Jean, John and Justin

Jeff Benham - February 12, 2014 at 08:39 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis J. Garrity.*



February 12, 2014 at 06:51 AM

JS

“ *Jo-Ann Schwartzberg lit a candle in memory of Dennis J. Garrity*



Jo-Ann Schwartzberg - February 11, 2014 at 06:28 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Dennis J. Garrity.*



February 11, 2014 at 01:54 PM

RI

“ *Our deepest condolences, from everyone at Radiant Lasercut Inc. - IADD member. A donation has been made to the Smilow Cancer Center in Mr. Dennis Garrity's name.*

Radiant Lasercut Inc. - February 11, 2014 at 08:46 AM

LS

“ *Dear Garrity family*

I am sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Lisa (Pentino) Seely

Lisa Seely - February 09, 2014 at 10:08 AM

CS

“ *Camille Santoro lit a candle in memory of Dennis J. Garrity*



Camille Santoro - February 07, 2014 at 07:35 PM

JM

“ *Too many great memories to put them all on here. Dennis was a great friend, a mentor a concience and a heart. He helped me and inspired me to live my life. i will miss him in the physcal rhelm but he will live inside me. Dennis my friend thank you for all you did in this world, in my life and in the lives of all those who loved you. you can tell a lot about a man by the family and friends he leaves behind, his legacy shows through those he touched, trust me when i say , your legacy will go on for a long time. Sharon and family, you are in my prayers and my heart.*

Joe McDowell

Joe McDowell - February 07, 2014 at 03:48 PM

LO

“ *Dear Sharon and Family,
We were so sorry to hear about Dennis. He was a great man. We have known Dennis for over 25 years , since the day our daughter Janet went to work for him at Bar Plate.
He was a great family man but, also very close to his employees. They were his working family. He was a good, caring and compassionate man. We are glad that Janet had the opportunity to work for him for so many years. May God Bless all of you. He will always be remembered.
Loretta & John Rignoli.*

Loretta - February 07, 2014 at 02:31 PM

VC

“ *I am so sorry to read that Mr. Garrity has passed away in death. Please accept my family's condolences. May your hearts find peace and comfort from the Bible's promise at John chapter 5 verses 28 and 29 which holds out the promise that we can be reunited with our dead loved ones.*

victoria cilwik - February 07, 2014 at 12:15 PM

DF

“ Dear Sharon,

Please accept my deepest condolences for your loss. I've known and worked with Dennis since 2001 when I first started helping him with his company computer system. When I first met Dennis, I was intimidated by his gruff exterior, but it wasn't long before I saw through that. In 2004 when my husband was scheduled for a knee replacement, Dennis loaned us his cryotherapy machine to help ease the pain of recovery, which it very much did. This is just a small example of his kindness. Dennis was one of the most unselfish and bighearted people I have ever known - yet still the tough marine. I will never forget Dennis. My heart goes out to you and your family.

Diane Fernald

Diane Fernald - February 06, 2014 at 03:34 PM

DV

“ HI Sharon,

I am so saddened to learn of Dennis's passing. Since I've been retired and out of the diecutting industry for a few years I was not aware that he was fighting Cancer. He was such a great friend and will be truly missed by all.

You always knew where Dennis stood on the issues because he was not afraid to let you know and then defend his position with sound reasoning and or actions.

I remember one evening when we were all out for dinner on one of our road show trips in California, Dennis noticed a family of four (father, mother, daughter and son) dining in a booth across the restaurant. The father and son still had their hats on and this irked Dennis to the point where he was almost red in the face. He pointed it out to us and tried to get their attention to signal them to remove their hats. We pleaded with him to just ignore it but after a short time when that didn't work, he finally got up and walked over to their booth. We fully expected to hear loud voices or even a fight to break out so we all kept our heads down and did not look. He soon returned to our table, saying nothing, and when we looked up the males were eating with their hats removed. Not a harsh word was spoken and no one in the place even knew what was going on. Naturally his size and military bearing helped him in these situations, I'm sure.

Dennis was not only stern and direct, he was kind and compassionate as well. For that, you couldn't help but like and respect him. We have all lost a true friend.

Please accept my most heartfelt condolences on your loss.

Dan Valmassei

DAn Valmassei - February 05, 2014 at 11:37 AM

DA

*"Take your hat off and show respect"
I still remember that day when Dennis knocked my hat off and said it was disrespectful to wear my hat inside. He always had a way about him that you knew he was watching.
Dennis had a vision and lead us over the years across North America building long lasting friendships and made our industry a family and not competitors. I thank you for that Dennis! We will miss you my friend.*

Derrick Ames - February 05, 2014 at 10:20 AM



*"I just came to know.
I met him at the last DREC, I was admired by his energy and the way he can get into relation with people. His enthusiasm was infective. His sense of humor absolutely admirable. He was a man worth to meet.*

I am deeply sad and I just want to express my condolences to his family and friends

Ciao Dennis.

Mauro Tomelleri.

Mauro Tomelleri - February 05, 2014 at 07:07 AM

DG

*"Debbie Guilfoile lit a candle in memory of
Dennis J. Garrity*



Debbie Guilfoile - February 05, 2014 at 07:00 AM

DG

“ I remember seeing you dance with Monica at her and Dan's wedding. Thank you for welcoming her into your family. I know her life was made richer by it. RIP Dennis.

Debbie Guilfoile - February 05, 2014 at 07:00 AM

KF

“ Sending our deepest condolences to your family from ours.
Love, Kristin, Ricky & Charlie Flores

Kristin Flores - February 04, 2014 at 06:11 PM

DG

I remember seeing you dance with Monica on her and Dan's wedding day. Thank you for excepting her into your family. I know you made her life richer for it. My thoughts and prayers are with all of your family. RIP Dennis

Debbie Guilfoile - February 05, 2014 at 06:55 AM

AM

we have known Dennis for 48 years, only than he called himself Duke, I was a waitress, and he was my customer, and he and my husband became friends, and we were friends the whole time he was in California, he will always be remembered as a great guy, my husband Al and I came to visit him July 1998, and we werent able to stay long, but he was a good friends, and we all went out to dinner together, when he was a Marine in Calif he and another friend name Bob Blackinton were big friends, and they visit alot, and then Al and I moved to Alabama and we have been here ever since. he will be very much missed, our heart is with his family and friends. he will never be forgotten, in friendship Al & Marilyn Manning

Al & Marilyn Manning - February 09, 2014 at 06:30 PM