



Dennis J. Decker

August 14, 2014

Decker, Dennis J. age 72 of Oakdale, passed away August 14, 2014. Preceded in death by first wife, Mary Ann; and brother, David. Survived by wife, Sandra; sons, Robert (Deborah) and John (Susan); grandchildren, Ty, Olivia and Laken; brother, Allen (Susie); several nieces & nephews, other relatives and friends. Dennis served 4 years in the Submarine Service of the U.S. Navy. He retired after 34 years as an educator. Mass of Christian Burial 11:00 AM, Tuesday, August 26 with visitation starting at 9:00 AM, at St. John's Church of Little Canada, 380 Little Canada Road East. Memorials preferred to North St. Paul Hockey Booster Club or U.S. Submarine Veterans, Inc (USSVI - MSP Base). Private interment Greenwood Cemetery, Superior, WI. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Hillside Chapel (612) 781-1999

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr. Decker is how I knew him. He was my 6th grade teacher. He was THAT type of teacher. The kind of teacher who you learn much more than just the curriculum. The kind of teacher who becomes one of your favorites. The kind of teacher you hope that your kids experience. The kind of teacher who plays four square and dresses up in a gorilla costume. The kind of teacher who teaches you to play hearts. The kind of teacher who makes you feel like you can do and be anything. The kind of teacher you never forget. I can't imagine that I am the only one who feels this way. I am now 34 years old and Mr Decker has a part in making me who I am today. How lucky I am. I do not make it a habit to look at the obituaries, but being that his notice was the same week as my best friend's father's...it caught my eye. I am so sorry to learn of his passing. I experienced the magic that was Mr Decker for a year and that left such a large impression. Having him as a husband, a father, a sibling, a friend - his loss must be great. I offer my sincere condolences. Karla Warner (Class of 1992)*

Karla - September 26, 2014 at 11:15 AM

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“ On behalf of the United States Submarine Veterans (USSVI) we offer our sincere condolences to Sandra, Robert (Deborah), John (Susan), and all of Dennis’s family and friends. God bless you with peace, comfort you, and heal your broken hearts. We are especially thankful for Dennis’s service to our country in the U.S. Submarine Service during the Cold War on the USS Corsair SS/AGSS-435 SN(SS) 1962-62, USS Thresher SSN-593 YN3(SS) 1963-63, and USS Alexander Hamilton SSBN-617 YN2(SS) 1964-64. Dennis was a member of the Minn-St Paul base, USSVI. To our “Brother of the Phin” we say ... "Sailor, rest your oar. We have the watch. May you rest in peace and may God bless your loved ones who remain. Thank you for your service to our country."



*So, heavenly Father add his name to the roll
Of our departed shipmates still on patrol.
Let them know that we who survive
Will always keep their memories alive.*

*Bless those who serve beneath the deep,
Through lonely hours their vigil keep.
May peace their mission ever be!
Protect each one, we ask of Thee.*

*Bless those at home who wait and pray
For their return by night and day.*

*Dennis J Decker, YN2(SS), US Navy, Now on Eternal Patrol.
Fair Winds and Following Seas Shipmate
His record is now posted online in the Eternal Patrol file on the
USSVI website.*

*Rev. Ray Fritz, National Chaplain United States Submarine
Veterans, USSVI.*

Chaplain Ray Fritz - September 03, 2014 at 06:59 AM



“ *Ever Upward Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis J. Decker.*



August 25, 2014 at 05:28 PM