



Dennis Allen Mitchell

July 20, 1944 - August 27, 2019

Age 75, New Brighton

This gentle loving man who embraced life to the fullest, passed away Tuesday, August 27, 2019 surrounded by his family. Dennis Allen Mitchell (Denny) was born in Chicago, Illinois. His family relocated to the Twin Cities when he was 13. Denny graduated from Mounds View High School and continued his studies at the University of Minnesota where he achieved a Master's degree in Business from the Carlson School of Management. He served proudly in the US Army Reserves as a medic/lab tech and worked primarily in hospitals. His career work in the field of Information Technology took him all over the world. Dennis was an avid runner, golfer, bowler, fisherman, tenacious reader, and history buff. He married Bernadette (Bonnie) Belair in 1969 and recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They lived in New Brighton for over 48 years where they raised three daughters; Michelle, Christine, and Kelly who were his pride and joy. He was an involved, supportive Dad and coached girls' basketball with the Irondale Basketball Association and Minnesota AAU. Denny also served for many years as President of the Mounds View 621 Foundation. He walked his talk... lending a helping hand whenever he saw a need. Denny had a deep love of animals, especially his dog Lacey who he fondly called his "little girl." Nothing brought him more happiness than to spend time with his eight precious grandchildren who he loved so deeply. He is preceded in death by his parents Ellen and Robert John, Sr; brothers, Terrance, Robert John, (Jr.),

and James (Jim). Survived by wife, Bernadette (Bonnie); daughters, Michelle (Kai) Hovde; Christine (Mike) Arndt; and Kelly (T.J.) Gamble ; grandchildren, Liv & Evan Hovde; Anessa, Aleigha & Amaya Arndt; Thomas, Presley and Hayden Gamble and many beloved family and friends.

Visitation - 4:00 - 8:00 PM Thursday, September 12th at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL, 515 HIGHWAY 96 W., Shoreview. Celebration of Life Service at 6:00 PM with light food/refreshments following. Interment Assumption Cemetery, St. Cloud, MN.

Tribute Wall

FC

“ RIP Denny I'm an old friend of the family, also from the New Brighton area. I found the obituary on line and found it very interesting reading. We had an automobile club in New Brighton called the Piston Pilots. Terry was a member. We also have space at the historical society there and would like help with info.

Frank Cmiel - September 29, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Denny Mitchell was my boss at Schneider in the 80's. I am a boss now and I always think of him because he was so good and supportive to me in that role. I feel like he taught me how to be a good manager by his example. I am so sad to hear that he passed last year. He loved to talk about his daughters and I think he thought of me as a kind of daughter in the sense that he wanted to see me succeed. I am a little torn up to be honest. Such a good man. My best to you all. -Kelly.

Kelly Pfeiffer - March 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ Bonnie, I'm so sorry to read of your husband's passing. You have been in my thoughts and prayers. Peggy Dick Juergens

Peggy Juergens - September 11, 2019 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ You know my heart aches for you and your family. He was such a good man; devoted to his family. He will be missed by so many. You know we are here for you to support you in any way we can. Jim and Carol

Carol J Faust - September 06, 2019 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *It was my privilege to have known Dennis.*



Mark Petraitis - September 05, 2019 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *I worked with Denny for a number of years at Allianz Life Insurance Co. in Golden Valley. While there, he, Don Brennan and I had lunch together almost every day. Denny acted as our personal trainer by getting us out for walks around the area during good weather days after lunch and otherwise climbing the stairwells back to our desks on 7th floor. He definitely was a family man with many conversations about his girls, their collegiate/basketball careers, grandchildren, investments, golf, local sports teams, and a vacation to the Superior Shores on Lake Superior that he particularly enjoyed. When he left for a job with Pentair across the street from Allianz we were able to periodically carry on with our lunches at Allianz. I left Allianz in 2011 and regrettably we didn't see each other thereafter, but I have frequently thought of Denny throughout the years since then. I was so sorry and surprised to see his Obituary in my Wednesday newspaper. Unfortunately, I will be visiting family on the West Coast the week of Denny's services.*



Richard (Dick) Bettendorf - September 05, 2019 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *Our hearts are heavy upon hearing the news of Denny!! May love surround you all during this difficult time. 🥹*

Susan Larson - September 04, 2019 at 12:00 AM