



## Dennis Dean Girard

November 4, 1951 - November 29, 2016

Longtime Yreka resident, Dennis Dean Girard, passed away on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at the Madrone Hospice House after a battle with lung cancer. He was 65 years old.

Dennis was born in Iowa to Gerald and Joan Girard on November 4, 1951. He served in the United States Navy from 1970 to 1971, with his travels taking him to the Southern United States. He settled in Yreka 30 years ago. He started in Yreka working with his dad, then owned a 1 hour photo developing business, and then worked for the last 18 years as a Physical Therapy Aide.

Dennis enjoyed traveling and experiencing other cultures, meeting new people along the way. He had an infectious sense of humor, and was always able to put a smile on the faces of those around him. He was always ready with a joke or story to brighten your day. He was a master gardener which showed in his own personal garden as well as the gardens of friends and family. He also loved baking and was well known for his great cheesecakes. Many friends convinced him to bake a cheesecake to be part of their holiday celebrations.

Dennis is survived by his mother, Joan; sisters: Cindy VandenBroeck, Kris Ebersole, and Jennifer Fleener brothers: Terry and Del; and many close friends throughout the community.

A memorial celebration of life will take place on Sunday, December 11, 2016 from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at Girdner Funeral Chapel in Yreka, with a gathering immediately following at Etna Pub and Brewery on Miner Street.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

DEC 11. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (PT)

Girdner Funeral Chapel  
202 S. Oregon St.  
Yreka, CA 96097  
(530) 842-3434  
<https://www.girdnerfuneralchapel.com>

## Reception

DEC 11. 12:30 PM (PT)

Etna Brewing Co. & Brew Pub  
231 W. Miner Street  
Yreka, CA 96097

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Dennis had the sweetest soul...I am a better person for knowing him and he will be greatly missed. With love, Kathleen O'Meara.* ”

Kathleen O'Meara - December 10, 2016 at 06:26 PM

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“ *Aunt Nonie, Loraine and Jerry and Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Dennis Dean Girard.* ”



Aunt Nonie, Loraine and Jerry and Family - December 09, 2016 at 02:06 PM

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“ *My dear sweet friend so sad to see you go. But beautiful memories will remain in my heart. Thank you for your smiles and hugs and your friendship. Good night sweet Prince. Mel, Mae Nell, Melissa , Jessica* ”

Eloise Buttram - December 06, 2016 at 10:55 AM



“ *I worked with Dennis many years ago at FMC and was proud to call him my friend. He had such an infectious laugh. We shared a love of photography and he took my daughter's senior pictures for me. He will be missed by many.* ”

Kathleen Hayes - December 06, 2016 at 08:59 AM




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“ I hadn't seen Dennis in 45 years but we'd reconnected on Facebook. We got together at our 45th high school reunion and it was like all those years fell away. Dennis will so be missed. I'm sure he's the life of the party in Heaven.

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**Denise Sporalsky** - December 06, 2016 at 12:31 AM



Michelle  
McDonald

“ I'm so sorry to hear that Dennis has passed. I always enjoyed him whenever we crossed paths. He was always smiling and full of joy.

*Michelle McDonald*

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**Michelle McDonald** - December 05, 2016 at 11:34 PM



“ Dennis always made me laugh. He would come into the cafe at FMC and he always had a huge smile on his face and a good joke to tell.

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**Stacie Ann** - December 05, 2016 at 09:31 PM