



Daniel " DAN " Jenkins

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Dan Jenkins made his transition to glory on Friday, September 10th, 2021, in Carson City, NV.

Dan Jenkins was born May 2, 1933, and grew up in Reno, NV. He was a loving husband, father, and friend. He was respected and loved by many.

Dan graduated from Reno High School and later attended Menlo College in Atherton, CA, and the University of Nevada, Reno. He later joined the US Marines based at Camp Pendleton, where he served two years, during which he was promoted to staff sergeant. He also served as a driver for an officer and was proud to have made the Marines football team.

Dan and his family moved from Reno to Gardnerville, NV in 1965. He worked in Carson Valley for over 56 years and loved what he did, still working at 88 years old. He was greatly admired by many and seemed to know nearly everyone in the Valley. Dan began working for Douglas County in the Building/Planning Department, as a building inspector, and was later promoted to head of the department. He eventually started his own successful environmental land planning business and became one of the few people in the area specializing in septic design. Even in his later years, he embraced new septic technology and helped introduce it to the Carson Valley. He truly loved what he did and was concerned about his ongoing jobs up until the day he passed.

Dan had many interests and enjoyed reading, writing, country music, road and mountain biking, running, hiking, working out and photography. One of his biggest accomplishments was completing the Death Ride in Markleeville, CA, four times in his 50s and 60s. He loved his horses, and deeply enjoyed spending time with family, and of course, his dogs. Dan was a great storyteller, and his humor could entertain for hours. He was a generous, caring, honest, and thoughtful man. He will be missed by all that knew him.



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Dan is survived by his wife, Lori Jenkins, daughter, Kay (Jenkins) and husband Rick Smith of Green Valley, AZ, daughter, Krista Jenkins of Gardnerville, NV, daughter, Gina (Jenkins) and husband Alan Telford of Truckee, CA, stepdaughter, Krista Haggott of Bowman, ND stepdaughter, Jennifer Roberts of Minden, NV, and grandchildren, Megan, Madison, Jack, Briana, Caitlin, and Elliott. Dan had lasting relationships with Linda Bratton and her daughters Shannon Harris, Jamie Bratton, and Jim Meyers who he held close to his heart and considered family.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Evelyn (Sally) Jenkins and his granddaughter, Marie McCreary.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11am on Saturday, September 18th, at Eastside Memorial Park Cemetery – 1600 Buckeye Rd., Minden, NV 89423. Feel Free to wear shorts and a hat in honor of his signature look!




Events

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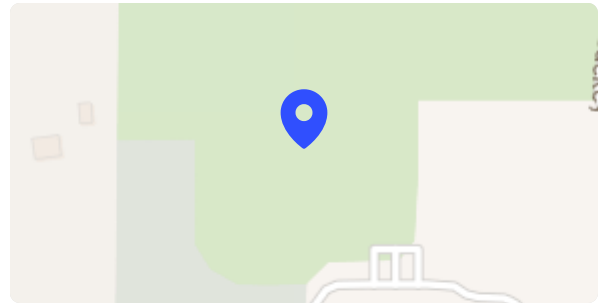
Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, September 18, 2021

 11:00 AM PT

 **Eastside Memorial Funeral Home - Park - Cemetery**

1600 Buckeye Rd, Minden NV 89423-4126





Tribute Wall

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Keith Shaffer posted:

Dearest Lori and Family, We are deeply sorry for your loss with Dan's passing. I learned of it on that Friday evening from Sandy Gardner, and was so surprised, since I had had a conversation with him just the day before on Thursday. I had called him a week prior seeking his help to perform a perc test on my own property (as we together had done several for others and I wanted his help with my own). I am sorry to have missed the ceremony and celebration of his life as I have just now learned about it. I know that he was admired and loved by many in the valley and I am among those whose life he has touched. He was a good friend and mentor to me in my young professional life. He was real. I will forever cherish my memories of running and biking (actually more like me trying to keep up) with him when, in the 1980s, I would come to work for Bob Gardner during the summers of my college years. He took an interest in me, as a young man, and made me feel valued. He encouraged my development as a young engineer, and continued to support me and sometimes guide me as I developed into professional engineer and consultant. We have worked alongside each other for many years and he has been a constant in my life and an inspiration and example to me of integrity and honesty and hard work. You and the whole family are in our thoughts and prayers as you navigate this difficult time. This is a tough one, since we all know that was take from us far too young. May the Lord sustain and support you in this time and may you be able take solace in the truth that Dan is NOT gone from us forever, but has just moved on to a better place where he can reconnect with friends that have gone ahead. Our love, Keith and Karen Shaffer

September 28 at 6:48 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Daniel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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