



Dennis Edward Ledford Jr

February 7, 1967 - January 7, 2019

Dennis Edward Ledford, Jr., age 51, of Piney Flats, went home to meet his heavenly father on Monday, January 7, 2019. Dennis was born in Johnson City, Tennessee to Dennis Edward Ledford, Sr. and Jana Ruth Sadler Simpson. He was preceded in death by his step-father, James Simpson; and his father-in-law, Jimmie Dale Mann.

Dennis was a knight in shining armor, a devoted husband and a loving father, who had a big heart. He graduated from Daniel Boone High School in 1985, he earned a Bachelor degree in Business and Applied Science and was a recent graduate of King University, where he earned his Master's degree in Business Administration. Dennis was employed at Bell Helicopter as a lead overhaul mechanic and was also a teacher at Northeast State Community College, where he taught General Mechanics, he previously worked as a heavy equipment mechanic at J & B Fast Freight and was owner and operator of Ledford and Sons Collision. Dennis was a member of Celebration Church of Blountville, where he served as a greeter, Life Group leader and member of Oil Change Ministries. Dennis also loved working on classic cars and doing home projects.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of twenty eight years, Carolyn Janette Mann Ledford, of the home; three children, Neil Ledford and wife Carrie, of Jonesborough, Allison Ledford, of Johnson City, and Jared Ledford, of the home; his father, Dennis Ledford, Sr. and wife Donna, of Boones Creek; his mother, Jana Simpson, of Gray; one sister, Jennifer France and husband Dean, of Jonesborough; a half-brother, Dale Ledford and wife Shannon, of Johnson City; his mother-in-law, Janette Mann, of Elizabethton; two sisters-in-law, Teresa Treadway, of Elizabethton and Lisa Germaine and husband Dan, of Elizabethton. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

A service to celebrate the life of Dennis Edward Ledford, Jr. will be conducted at 8:00 PM on Friday, January 11, 2019 in the Chapel of Peace at Tetrick Funeral Home, Elizabethton with Pastor Robert Russell, officiating. Music will be provided by Mr. Chuck Odum, soloist and Elisa Comer, pianist. The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM in the funeral home chapel, prior to the service on Friday.

The graveside service will be conducted at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at Happy Valley Memorial Park with Pastor Josh Banks, officiating. Active pallbearers will be Dan Potter, Eric Henley, Todd Tipton, Jerry Meiers, Tim Sharrett, Keith Glover, Dan Germaine and Dean France. Honorary pallbearers will be Bell Overhaul Shop, Life Group members, neighbors, and Douglas Boyd. Those wishing to attend the graveside service are asked to meet at Tetrick Funeral Home, Elizabethton at 10:15 AM on Saturday, to go in procession.

The family would like to especially thank friends, family and neighbors for their love and support. Also, Bell Helicopter employees, the members of Celebration Church, the faculty and staff of King University and Northeast State Community College and the employees of Food City.

Online condolences may be shared with the family on our website,
www.tetrickfuneralhome.com

Mr. Ledford and his family are in the care of Tetrick Funeral Home, Elizabethton. Office 423-542-2232, service information line, 423-543-4917.

Cemetery

Happy Valley Memorial Park

2708 Elizabethton Hwy.
Johnson City, TN, 37601

Events

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| JAN 11 | Visitation | 05:00PM - 08:00PM |
| | Tetrick Funeral Home - Elizabethton 211 North Riverside Drive, Elizabethton, TN, US, 37644 | |
| JAN 11 | Celebration of Life Service | 08:00PM |
| | Tetrick Funeral Home - Elizabethton 211 North Riverside Drive, Elizabethton, TN, US, 37644 | |
| JAN 12 | Graveside Service and Interment | 11:00AM |
| | Happy Valley Memorial Park 2708 Elizabethton Hwy., Johnson City, TN, US, 37601 | |

Comments



“ Dear Carolyn and family,
Bob and I were so sorry to read that Dennis had passed away. Our hearts go out to you and the children. He was such a good husband and he was the head of a beautiful family. We haven't visited for many years, but we have fond memories from earlier years and we love you dearly. Now God will take care of both of you, even though you are separated. Our prayers are with you, that God will send provision for your physical needs, and that He will bring you peace and help you in the days ahead.
With much love, Bob and Leora Hendrix

Leora Hendrix - January 16 at 12:44 AM



“ Dennis was always that smiling face, handing out bulletins when I walked into church. I didn't know him personally, but he made me feel like he was glad to see me at church. Sometimes, church can be a lonely experience when you attend alone. Dennis made that easier for me! He was that consistent face that welcomed me each Sunday. My prayers for his family as they face difficult days ahead.

Jane Morrell - January 15 at 09:48 PM



“ Shirley Morefield lit a candle in memory of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr



Shirley Morefield - January 13 at 09:47 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss . Praying for your family. Rachel Turner

rachel - January 13 at 12:44 PM



“ My deepest condolences to the family. I went to high school with Dennis and know what a kind, generous person he was, even as a teenager. I'm sure he will be deeply missed.

Angela Madden - January 12 at 06:14 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss. Dennis was a friend, a brother, and an icon. Allison Neil, Jared, I am so sorry I couldn't attend I have a fractured hip so my attending things I can't. Give my condolences to your grand parents. Guys I love you all and my thoughts and prayers are with you. Love ya. Larry Lee



Larry Hinkle - January 12 at 04:34 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Prayers going up for your family. Earl & Linda Slagle

Linda Slagle - January 12 at 09:14 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. God be with you and comfort you.

Wanda Pierce Johnson

Wanda Pierce Johnson - January 11 at 03:29 PM



“ Tina & Johnny Edwards lit a candle in memory of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr



Tina & Johnny Edwards - January 11 at 01:21 PM



“ Dennis was a very kind, friendly, and caring person. He so seemed to enjoy teaching and was excited about obtaining his master’s degree. Dennis was a pleasure to work with. He’ll be missed! My condolences to all the family.

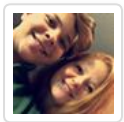
Tammy Bartlett
Northeast State at Blountville Campus

Tammy Bartlett - January 11 at 12:19 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss!! I can’t imagine! I do know that God our Father will be with you every step of the way - loving you; giving you His Peace, His strength, His comfort; weeping with you; and providing for you. Trust Him day by day. Your church family loves you!

Tony & Tammy McFaddin - January 11 at 07:23 PM



“ Dennis was a light at work. I am honored and blessed to have been his co-worker and friend. Dennis helped me through some difficult times and also convinced me to go to college. He was and is an inspiration. Rest in peace my friend.



Amy Abdelfattah - January 11 at 11:39 AM



“ No words to explain this tremendous loss to our family. Denny was the sweetest kindest most understanding soul even as a small child. Carolyn and family, I pray you find some comfort in knowing he was a champion in his faith and is leaving a loving legacy here on earth. Peace be with us all as we try to find understanding for this tragic and unexpected loss.

Paula Cooper - January 11 at 11:20 AM



“ Thankful for such a godly husband and father to his family and testimony of Christ’s love and joy. So very unexpected and sad for all is the Homegoing Of Dennis. Hugs to Carolyn and tears of sadness as we allow memories and examples of Dennis to be shared with smiles and joy. This is true legacy to know Dennis is related to Christ

in His very presence and that we have eternal confidence and peace even through our extreme pain. His mercies are new every morning. May we lift one another up in the days to come. Love from Jon and Kathy Christiansen

kathy christiansen - January 11 at 11:12 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 11 at 09:20 AM



“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 11 at 09:11 AM



“ Dennis was always a funny guy and a great person to be around. I'm so sorry for your loss. I hadn't seen him in awhile but he will be greatly missed. God Bless him and his family and may he Rest in Peace.



Stacey Britt - January 11 at 07:00 AM



“ Pat and Pati Shannon are asking the Lord to grant the family peace and comfort during this time. We will miss Dennis, but look forward to us all being together again soon. May God bless and keep you.



“ Davi Lesly Sweeney lit a candle in memory of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr



Davi Lesly Sweeney - January 10 at 11:26 PM



“ Terry Oliver lit a candle in memory of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr



Terry Oliver - January 10 at 09:42 PM



“ MarAnnabelle Jacob lit a candle in memory of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr



MarAnnabelle Jacob - January 10 at 09:19 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 10 at 09:13 PM



“ Dennis was a shining star of love, hope and peace. Everyone that met him loved him. Dennis loved God, our Heavenly Father and his beautiful family. This was a shocker. We ask God to hold his family in His hands and give them love and understanding as they need it. Aunt Joyce Sadler Jett. RIP Sweet Dennie.

joyce sadler jett - January 10 at 08:06 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 10 at 07:55 PM



“ We are praying for you all. He always had a smile at Church. May God send you many good memories to help comfort you as you grieve. The Emmert's. Jeff, Heidi, Parker, Maranda & boys

heidi - January 10 at 07:51 PM



“ Mitzi Gillin lit a candle in memory of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr



Mitzi Gillin - January 10 at 07:46 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 10 at 07:37 PM



“ Carolyn,

I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Carol Lacy DuBose

Carol Lacy DuBose - January 10 at 07:09 PM



“ So sorry to hear this... Dennis was always so nice. He had a beautiful smile.

Brenda & Darrell Martin - January 10 at 06:52 PM



“ For Jana and the entire family. Laurin and I are so very sorry for your loss. All the words in the world cannot lessen the loss and pain you are feeling. Hopefully your faith and time will ease some of the hurt. Love you.

Laurin and Peggy Black

Peggy Black - January 10 at 06:49 PM



“ I worked with Dennis at Bell a few years back. Very good decent man always remember great conversation with him about work and just life in general. We talked bout his dragster he was so proud of back then.my condolences to his family and prayers for all. Thank you Dennis for great laughs and times.

derek kessler - January 10 at 06:46 PM



“ Dear Carolyn and family.
I am so sorry for your loss. Lisa and Dan are my sister and brother - in -laws. May God comfort you and your family and peace knowing you will be united again. God bless you..

Joy Allen
Dallas, GA



Joy Allen - January 10 at 06:46 PM



“ Carolyn, I am so sorry. Keeping you and your whole family in my prayers.

Susan Gouge Estep - January 10 at 06:32 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, Dennis was kind and gentle soul! You all are in my prayers.

Tim Daniels

Tim Daniels - January 10 at 06:25 PM



“ Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 10 at 06:08 PM



“ Always willing to help. You will be missed by everyone. Rest in the hands of the Lord.
Mike & Ileana



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 10 at 05:19 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis Edward Ledford Jr.



January 10 at 05:10 PM