



## Dennis Warren Kipp

October 2, 1946 - April 15, 2024

Dennis Warren Kipp, a beloved resident of Royal Oak, MI, passed away on April 15, 2024, at the age of 77, surrounded by his loved ones. Born in Detroit, MI, Dennis was the cherished son of Frank and Ethel Dirkse.

Dennis found lifelong companionship in Lynette Lindsay, whom he married on August 15, 1981, at The First Presbyterian Church in Royal Oak, MI. Their union was a testament to love and partnership, enriching the lives of all who knew them.

A proud Army Veteran, Dennis served his country with honor and dedication. Following his military service, he pursued his passion as the owner of Veteran Chimney Sweep, where he provided warmth and safety to countless homes in his community.

Beyond his professional endeavors, Dennis's greatest source of pride was his role as a devoted father and grandfather. He leaves behind a legacy of love and laughter, forever cherished by his children: Becky (Kevin) Novack, Kate (Adam) Verville and Al (Sara) Kipp. Along with his adored grandchildren: Henry, Grant, and Frank Novack. Maxine and Otto Verville. Theo and Ben Kipp and one additional Verville grandchild on the way. Dennis will also be missed by his beloved mini schnauzer, Sooty.

Dennis embraced life with enthusiasm, finding joy in simple pleasures and treasured pastimes. To Dennis, golf was more than a sport; it was a lifelong passion and he reveled in the joy of camaraderie and friendly competition (his hole-in-one never to be forgotten), creating lasting bonds with each swing of the club. A wonderful cook, and family man to the core, Dennis's Sunday roast dinners will be carried on in his memory.

His lakeside retreat in Hawks, MI, provided solace and serenity, where he enjoyed life up at the lake for the past thirty years. His recent fulfillment of purchasing his dream property on the lake in August of 2023 was a testament to his lifelong dreams realized.

Left to carry on Dennis's memory are his devoted wife, Lynette; his children; his grandchildren. Though he has departed this world, Dennis's spirit will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.

In addition to his parents, Frank and Ethel, Dennis was preceded in death by his daughter, Anna Scripps. While his physical presence may be gone, his memory will endure as a beacon of love and light.

A memorial gathering to celebrate Dennis's life will be held at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors in Royal Oak (705 W. Eleven Mile) on Friday, April 19, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with a Sharing of Memories commencing at 6:00 p.m. He will be laid to rest with military honors at Great Lakes National Cemetery, a final tribute to his service and sacrifice.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Disabled Veterans of America or Vietnam Veterans of America, in honor of Dennis's commitment to serving others.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road  
Holly Township, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

APR 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Sharing of Memories

APR 19. 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dennis was the happiest man I ever knew. He made happy memories. God bless.* ”

Bill Gardner - May 15, 2024 at 07:41 AM

RK

“ *We're so very sorry to hear of Dennises passing. He was a great guy and will be missed by many. All our prayers and love to Lynette and family. Robin & John Kowalski 🙏❤️* ”

Robin & John Kowalski - April 19, 2024 at 06:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.* ”



April 19, 2024 at 09:15 AM

MF

“ *So very sorry to hear of Dennis's passing. He was a very dear friend and co-worker at the Sign of the Beefeater. I to this day share some of our "Chicago Stories" when sharing memories of the good old days.  
Dear Lynette, I will always keep you in my prayers, and forever treasure my memories of Denny, and you! May God bless you and your family. 🙏* ”

Mark Fedenis - April 18, 2024 at 08:13 PM

MB

“ A donation to the Vietnam Vets was made by Keith and Marty B in Dennis's name. Rest in peace, Dennis.

MARty Buchanan - April 18, 2024 at 06:00 PM

TH

“ Theone H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Warren Kipp.

Theone H. - April 18, 2024 at 03:48 PM

DH

“ Had. Great time working with Dennis at the Royal Oak Beefcarver. He taught me a lot and always brighten my day! Sorry for your loss Lynn 🙏🙏🙏

Doug Haack - April 18, 2024 at 03:25 PM

GE

“ Gail E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Warren Kipp.

Gail E. - April 18, 2024 at 01:26 PM

MT

“ So sorry to hear the news of the passing of Dennis. He was a great neighbor and a supporter of our Lawson Park Homeowners Association. He spoke at numerous City of Royal Oak public meetings to help make are community better and safer. He helped get a crosswalk on Longfellow, was involved in improving Lawson Park, and supported our neighborhood's ongoing effort to stop the City's rezoning effort based on driving more residential density into our neighborhoods. He will be missed.

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**Mike Thompson** - April 18, 2024 at 12:52 PM

LS

“ Love: Danny, April, Payton & Stella purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.



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**Love: Danny, April, Payton & Stella** - April 18, 2024 at 12:28 PM

LF

“ Love, The Fisher Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.



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**Love, The Fisher Family** - April 18, 2024 at 12:26 PM

DT

“ We have lived next door to the Kipp family in Royal Oak for 27 Years, and we could not have asked for better neighbors! Dennis always had a wave, a smile and had such a great sense of humor! Always nice to see him and Lynette on the porch together enjoying the evening. Anytime we thanked Dennis for his service he was always so humble about such a big sacrifice he made for our country. Royal Oak lost a Giant Oak this week with the passing of Dennis Kipp. You will be forever missed! Sending Prayers and Love to the Kipp family during this difficult time, Love Diana & Ted

Diana & Ted - April 17, 2024 at 10:08 PM

TF

“ The Deel family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.



The Deel family - April 17, 2024 at 07:12 PM

TF

“ thyssenkrupp family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.



thyssenkrupp family - April 17, 2024 at 06:03 PM

BD

“ We are so heartbroken for the loss of our cousin, Denny. We have so many happy memories of our family get-togethers. They were always so much fun! Denny was always happy and could always make you laugh. One memory I will never forget is when we celebrated our 10 year anniversary together. Denny and Lynette got married on 8-15-81 and we got married on 7-25-81. We rented a limo and went to dinner at Memphis Smoke. We had such a fun time. Denny and Ed had the love of Harley's in common. We thank Denny for his service to our country and for being such a loving and caring cousin. You will be missed by so many. We will keep you all in our prayers. Rest in Peace, Denny.  
Love Ed and Bev



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**Bev and Ed Drotar** - April 17, 2024 at 05:34 PM

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**Diana & Ted** - April 17, 2024 at 10:06 PM

DS

“ Doug, Karen and Rackham Staff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Warren Kipp.

Doug, Karen and Rackham Staff - April 17, 2024 at 11:22 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.



April 17, 2024 at 11:22 AM

CV

“ We are sending all our love to your family during this difficult time. We will miss spending time with Dennis at family events. We will always remember his work ethic, ability to create conversation and his great sense of humor. It is clear how much he was adored by his family. We will miss you Dennis. Xoxo Austin, Casey & Miles Verville

Casey Verville - April 17, 2024 at 11:13 AM

AV

“ All Our Love, The Verville's purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.



All Our Love, The Verville's - April 17, 2024 at 10:46 AM

SF

“ *South Oakland A's Families purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Dennis Warren Kipp.*



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**South Oakland A's Families** - April 17, 2024 at 10:16 AM

JD

“ *The Royal Oak Veterans Event Committee will remember Denny for his compassion for veterans, especially those who died as the result of exposure to toxic chemicals. He was tireless. He never wanted anyone to forget them and their service to our country. Because of Denny there will be a new monument at the Royal Oak War Memorial recognizing those who died of cancers and other illnesses related to their service. We'll never forget you! Rest in peace.*

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**Judy Davids** - April 16, 2024 at 08:58 PM

JH

*Thank you, Dennis for your vital service to our Country and for your exemplary example to your Family and Royal Oak!*

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**Joe Huebner** - April 16, 2024 at 10:02 PM

BK

*Dennis and my brother, Bruce Kezlarian, were best of friends since kindergarten. As a younger sister of Bruce, my brother's bedroom door would always close when Dennis and all of their mutual buddies came to visit him. I remember all the laughing and the ruckus! Bruce is deeply saddened by the loss of Dennis. Our siblings were at lunch yesterday and Bruce broke down when he shared that his dear friend Dennis had passed away. We were also sad, Dennis was a devoted friend who gave my brother decades of joy and friendship. Thank you for your military service. Peace be with you.*

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**Barbara Kezlarian** - April 18, 2024 at 09:22 AM

TF

*It is wonderful to read about all the ways Dennis touched the lives of those he loved, and even those he simply shared a few words and a smile with. We thank him for his service and a donation to the Vietnam Veterans of America was made in his honor. He lived a full life, but even so was taken too soon. Sending prayers for comfort for his family.*

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**The Warner Family** - May 23, 2024 at 01:47 PM