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Dennis "Denny" Burke passed away quietly the morning of July 20th, 2023 while home with loved ones. He was 73 years old.

Born in Pennsylvania, his family moved to California when he was a boy. There, he lived a southern California beach life, eventually meeting his wife of 53 years! at Newport Harbor High and fell in love with the ocean. After serving in Vietnam as an infantryman where he was awarded a Purple Heart, he returned to Orange County and enjoyed working as a carpenter. Then, in 1979, he moved the family north to Newport, Oregon to pursue his dream of becoming a commercial fisherman. While based in Newport, for the next 30 years he fished up and down the west coast, including numerous seasons in Alaska.

Denny loved fishing and hunting with friends and was an enthusiastic and adventurous traveler, covering much of the globe with his wife, Judy.

Generous of heart and with a creative, intelligent mind, he also enjoyed the craft of woodworking, gifting numerous heirloom quality pieces for friends and family.

Outgoing and gregarious, gratitude was a fundamental value for Denny and he freely expressed his appreciation for family, friends, the ocean, and the church.

A celebration of life will take place at 11:00 am on August 5th, 2023 at South Beach Church.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG 5. 11:00 AM (PT)

South Beach Church
3335 S Coast Hwy
South Beach, OR 97366

Tribute Wall

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“ Judy, you may or may not get this; I was so sorry to hear of Denny's passing. I lost Butch in 2000. Jeff was murdered in 2014; & Dianna is end stage. I remember though how we were all so young & strong; life was good with God first, Country & family... Then sadly reality sometimes doesn't make any sense at all. I've worked level 1 Trauma for the best part of 40 years, & all I know is there is never enough time! I am so sorry that Denny didn't have more time. Judy I know you & Kathy Cabanag go to the same Church. She is going through trials unimaginable too. I hope you two can share some time. I sent Rose Gatens to your Church recently, she just lost her husband Who was one of our classmates. I just know those who have been there, sometimes can lighten the load. You, & your family have been in my prayers. God Bless you all! Gina Hocken

Gina Hocken - January 19 at 12:43 AM

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“ Cindy Machado lit a candle in memory of William "Denny" Burke



Cindy Machado - November 26, 2023 at 11:24 AM