



Dennis Rodney Ward

September 30, 1948 - August 29, 2022

Dennis Rodney Ward of Willcox passed away on August 29, 2022, at the age of 73. He was born in Willcox on September 30, 1948, to Clopton Rodney Ward and Frances Isidora (Miranda) Ward. Dennis was a lifelong resident of Willcox, was a Willcox High School Graduate and served in the United States Air Force. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, NRA, Safari Club International and had been a member of the Willcox Elks Lodge. He was a devoted Grandfather, avid hunter, outdoorsman, drag racer, rock collector and did Arrowhead napping. Dennis invented the Vortex Broadhead, for which he owned and operated the company, and invented multiple other broadheads to include, Trauma Broadhead, Out Raged Broadhead, and Ram Page Broadhead. He also invented the first electronic rangefinder called the Compu Range. Survivors include his sons Rodney (Becky), Trevor and Steven (Crystal) all of Willcox and his grandchildren Kalee, Rodney, Jr., Gabe, Landon, T.J., Cienna and Asher. Dennis was preceded in death by his wife Sheila on June 30, 2022, along with his parents and Uncles Albert and John Ward. A Rosary will be offered 7:00 pm on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at Westlawn Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:00 am on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Rite of Committal of his cremains will follow at Sunset Cemetery with a Military Flag Presentation by the Davis Monthan AFB Elite Honor. In honor of our beloved Dad "Pops" we welcome and encourage you to wear either camouflage or drag racing attire at the service.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Cemetery

N. Sunset Strip Road
Willcox, AZ 85643

Previous Events

Rosary

SEP 6. 7:00 PM (MT)

Westlawn Chapel & Mortuary Inc.
105 S Arizona Avenue
Willcox, AZ 85643
(520) 384-2413
westwx@vtc.net
<https://www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 7. 10:00 AM (MT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
215 W. Maley
Willcox, AZ 85643

Tribute Wall



“ *Dennis Rodney Ward*

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.*



September 07, 2022 at 10:54 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.*



September 03, 2022 at 05:32 PM



“ *Cassidy Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Cassidy Family - September 02, 2022 at 04:41 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.



September 02, 2022 at 02:06 PM



“ Dennis might be my favorite, and most irreverent, patient. I had to cut his visits short in clinic as he would want to talk about his family, and always left me with a "PG-13" joke.....Love this family!!

paul mcmaster - September 02, 2022 at 12:28 PM



“ Several years ago Dennis and I hunted Javalina together. When the hunting was slow we turned to hunting jackrabbits ultimately seeing how far out we could shoot them. We have a great time and from that day forward Dennis and I were good friend. To a great dad and talented and innovative hunter. Rest in peace my friend.



Beard Hobbs - September 02, 2022 at 11:18 AM



“ Beard Hobbs lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Beard Hobbs - September 02, 2022 at 11:15 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.*



September 01, 2022 at 10:22 PM



“ *Love, Verna & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.*



Love, Verna & Family - September 01, 2022 at 09:50 AM



“ *Gus & Rita Morales sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Gus & Rita Morales - September 01, 2022 at 12:17 AM



“ *Rest in Peace Dennis Ward. Condolences to the boys and their families. God bless you all.*

Hector Salas - August 31, 2022 at 10:42 PM



“ *Isabel Lozano sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Isabel Lozano - August 31, 2022 at 08:29 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to your family in this time of sorrow. Our prayer are with you. Johnny M. Pesina & Family*

melissa Vasquez - August 31, 2022 at 03:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.*



August 31, 2022 at 02:17 PM



“ *With Deepest Sympathy to the family for your loss. Our prayers are with you. Jack and Cathie Thompson*



thompson - August 31, 2022 at 01:54 PM

AT

“ *Annie Torres sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Annie Torres - August 31, 2022 at 12:14 PM

LR

“ *Lawrence & Angela Torres Rodriguez sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Lawrence & Angela Torres Rodriguez - August 31, 2022 at 12:14 PM



“ *May you rest peacefully now Dennis. Your legacy will live on through your children and grandchildren. You will be missed by all who knew you.*

Lisa Marie Humphries - August 31, 2022 at 10:32 AM

RB

“ *🕊️ Rest In Peace now Dennis... Till we see you again... The Ramirez family*



Rosemary Ramirez Bonnett - August 31, 2022 at 09:32 AM



“ *Jerry Giudice lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Jerry Giudice - August 31, 2022 at 03:10 AM



“ *Gonzalez Family lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Gonzalez Family - August 30, 2022 at 11:52 PM



“ *Jacque Ortiz lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Jacque Ortiz - August 30, 2022 at 11:39 PM



“ *Michael Valenzuela lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Michael Valenzuela - August 30, 2022 at 10:55 PM

EV

“ *Erlinda Valenzuela lit a candle in memory of
Dennis Rodney Ward*



Erlinda Valenzuela - August 30, 2022 at 10:54 PM

JI

“ *All of our deepest heart felt sympathies in your loss*

Jim and Kathy Cook

James B Cook II - August 30, 2022 at 09:30 PM

KT

“ *Kathy Thatcher lit a candle in memory of
Dennis Rodney Ward*



Kathy Thatcher - August 30, 2022 at 09:23 PM

LB

“ *Rest In Peace my friend! I will miss you and Shiela. May you and
your heavenly family be with Jesus and the Angels in perfect peace!*

LaDonna Burgess - August 30, 2022 at 08:54 PM

LS

“ Love, Shirley purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.



Love, Shirley - August 30, 2022 at 08:49 PM

SB

“ Stephanie & Brad purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.



Stephanie & Brad - August 30, 2022 at 08:43 PM

TM

“ Tommy And Robin Miller lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Tommy and Robin Miller - August 30, 2022 at 08:24 PM

SJ

“ Sammy, Cheryl, & Jamie purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Dennis Rodney Ward.



Sammy, Cheryl, & Jamie - August 30, 2022 at 08:19 PM

TB

“ Tommy & Rita Bedolla lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Tommy & Rita Bedolla - August 30, 2022 at 06:37 PM

DL

“ Dakota Levine lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Dakota Levine - August 30, 2022 at 04:50 PM

JF

“ Joe And Delia Franco lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Joe and Delia Franco - August 30, 2022 at 03:41 PM

JB

“ Johnny & Donna Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Johnny & Donna Brown - August 30, 2022 at 03:27 PM

MH

“ Prayers and hugs to the boys.
Chris

Mary Christine Humphers - August 30, 2022 at 01:20 PM

JM

“ Jamie M sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis
Rodney Ward



Jamie M - August 30, 2022 at 12:48 PM

NF

“ Noel And Arlene Forsyth lit a candle in
memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Noel and Arlene Forsyth - August 30, 2022 at 12:11 PM

PT

“ Paige Travis lit a candle in memory of Dennis
Rodney Ward



Paige Travis - August 30, 2022 at 12:09 PM

JR

“ *Juan & Shirley Rubio sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Juan & Shirley Rubio - August 30, 2022 at 12:05 PM

JR

“ *Are condolences to all the family, Dennis will be missed. May he rest in peace* 🙏🕯️🙏

Juan & Shirley Rubio - August 30, 2022 at 12:05 PM

CD

“ *Carol Dunagan lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Carol Dunagan - August 30, 2022 at 11:58 AM

TM

“ *Terri M lit a candle in memory of Dennis Rodney Ward*



Terri M - August 30, 2022 at 11:30 AM

AT

“ Our condolences to the family!! Hugs and prayers. RIP Dennis!! 🙏
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Anselmo & Bertha Torres - August 30, 2022 at 11:11 AM

AT

“ Anselmo & Bertha Torres sent a virtual gift in
memory of Dennis Rodney Ward



Anselmo & Bertha Torres - August 30, 2022 at 11:09 AM