



## Dennis Spencer

March 29, 1950 - January 11, 2010

Mr. Dennis Spencer, of Shelby Twp., passed away on Monday, January 11, 2010 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor at the age of 59. He was born on March 29, 1950 in Detroit, the son of the late Marshall and Dorothy (Reinhardt) Spencer. He is survived by his loving wife, Debra; children, Kristen (Matthew) Nardoni and Jeffrey (Rachel) Spencer; grandchildren, Jonathan, Haley and Matthew Nardoni and sister, Marilyn (John) Crosby. Dennis is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 13. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
49150 Schoenherr Rd.  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 532-8600  
shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com

## Service

JAN 13. 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

JAN 14. 10:30 AM (ET)

Great Lakes National Cemetery  
4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ I worked/served with Dennis during the 70', 80', and early 90's. Good guy gone too soon. Appreciate the opportunity to attend the funeral home service and internment at GLNC. Sorry I couldn't attend the post-internment lunch so that I could say more to you, but had a prior committment. "Leo P." Miller###imported-begin##Leo Miller (1SG Ret/DAC Retired)###imported-end##

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January 18, 2010 at 02:28 PM



“ Debbie,  
We are very sorry to hear about Dennis passing.  
  
You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Gene and Lori Balla  
80450 Overseas Hwy Unit 301  
Islamorada, FL 33036

305-664-4929###imported-begin##Gene and Lori Balla###imported-end##

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January 16, 2010 at 06:45 PM



“ Dennis was a joy to work with - always a smile, a wonderful sense of humor and a positive attitude. DCMA will miss his many contributions to our organization. My sympathies to his entire family.###imported-begin##Amy Reiter###imported-end##

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January 15, 2010 at 09:51 AM



“ Although I only worked with Dennis a short time I absolutely knew he was the right man for the position at DCMA. He was a joy to be around and he will be sorely missed.##imported-begin##Bob Merritt##imported-end##

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January 14, 2010 at 01:12 PM



“ Dear Debbie,

*I was very sad to hear the news of both your father and Dennis, I hope it brought peace to both of them. I'm sure things have been rough on you since you came back to TACOM, but to your credit you never showed it. I'm not sure I could have maintained the positive attitude you did, always being a pleasure to deal with. God bless you and your children.*

*Frank Discher##imported-begin##Frank Discher##imported-end##*

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January 14, 2010 at 01:52 AM



“ Debra, I am so sorry for the recent loss of your Husband and Father. They say the God only gives us what we can bear. With this said, you have the strength to endure. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Please ask if there is anything that I can do for you. Fondly, Kathy##imported-begin##Kathy Lytle##imported-end##

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January 13, 2010 at 04:48 PM



“ To the Spencer family, you have my deepest Symthathy. I did not know Dennis very well but I knew a lot about him from working with CW4 Phil Tabor at the OMS 8 Detroit Artillery Armory shop. Dennis was a good man and an excellant soldier that everyone liked.##imported-begin##SGM (RET) John D Jessee##imported-end##

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January 13, 2010 at 12:40 PM



“ Debra,  
My sincere sympathy for the loss of your husband. There are no words to express your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

With Sympathy,  
Debbie##imported-begin##Debbie Wilson##imported-end##

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January 13, 2010 at 09:35 AM



“ Kristen  
It has been a long struggle for you and your dad. May he rest in peace. My prayers are with all of you.  
Anita##imported-begin##Anita Baker##imported-end##

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January 13, 2010 at 07:55 AM



“ Debbie,

*I had the advantage of knowing Denny, and am saddened he has breathed his last breath. He was a good soldier, an exceptional non-commissioned officer, and a "bigger than life" human being; he will be missed by those of us who had the honor and privilege of serving with him.*

*You, and your family, will be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##COL (Ret) Tom Egan##imported-end##*

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January 13, 2010 at 07:49 AM



“ Dear Spencer Family,

*We are deeply saddened to hear the sad and unexpected news. Although we cannot be there with you in person, we are there in spirit in those difficult moments. Mr Spencer was a great husband, father and grandfather, and a great, great man and he will be missed by everyone and especially by our family. May he rest in peace and God Bless.##imported-begin##Orlin and Betza Stoyanov##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 09:50 PM



“ *I served with Denny when we were in the 177th Brigide in the 80's. He will be missed.##imported-begin##MSgt. Mal Forsys (ret)##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 07:28 PM



“ *Debbie and family:*

*You are in my prayers. Please let us know if you need anything...  
Love, Pat Plotkowski##imported-begin##Pat Plotkowski##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 05:49 PM



“ *Dennis was part of the NCO core "glue" in the 177th MP Brigade that kept people and units together. He could be counted on to get the mission done AND take care of his people. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him.##imported-begin##William Brezina##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 03:57 PM



“ *Unfortunately I did not have the opportunity to spend much time with Mr. Spencer. When I did have contact with him, he was always a gentleman, with a smile on his face, and full of valuable knowledge. Please accept my deepest sympathies on his passing. He will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Lawrence S. Paruch##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 01:58 PM



“ *Debbie, my deepest condolences for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Cynthia Stinson##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 01:56 PM



“ Debbie,

*I am deeply sorry for your loss. May God give you strength through this difficult time. Have comfort in knowing that your father and Dennis will always be with you, as they will both be looking over you and your family.*

*Sincerely,*

*Iwona##imported-begin##Iwona MacFarland##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 01:50 PM



“ You were one of the best Top Kick's I had the privilege to serve under. You will missed for you wit and wisdom. To the Spencer family, my thoughts and prayers go out to you for your loss.##imported-begin##SFC Nick chakur##imported-end##

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January 12, 2010 at 01:18 PM



“ Dennis was an absolute pleasure to work with. I enjoyed our short time together. He will be missed!##imported-begin##David A. Hudson##imported-end##

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January 12, 2010 at 12:20 PM



“ Debbie, thoughts and prayers are to you and your family.##imported-begin##Jamie Gardner-Kaufman##imported-end##

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January 12, 2010 at 11:57 AM



“ I have not been in contact with Dennis in many years. I am glad that I can remember his slap happy days in the early days of my military career with him. I have been able to keep up to date through our military family here at TACOM.

Many thoughts and prayers to Deb and his family in these hard times.##imported-begin##CW4 Richard Windsor (Retired)##imported-end##

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January 12, 2010 at 11:45 AM



“ Debbie

Dee and I are so sorry to hear of your loss. Dennis was a terrific person and a great friend, always smiling and upbeat. We will miss him and his crazy laugh. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Greg##imported-begin##Greg & Dee Russo##imported-end##

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January 12, 2010 at 11:16 AM



“ Praying for God to comfort you during this time.##imported-begin##Michelle Spisak and Family##imported-end##

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January 12, 2010 at 10:00 AM



“ *Dennis was a rare soul, a pleasure to have worked with and even a greater pleasure to know. He was a true American and proud of his family, his country and always of his soldiers. He will be deeply missed by all that knew him.*###imported-begin###*Rob & Kay Leslie*###imported-end###

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January 12, 2010 at 09:52 AM



“ *Dear Debbie: John and I would like to offer our sincere condolences and the passing of Dennis. You will be in our prayers and well as all of your family.*  
*We will always remember our days when John and Dennis were in the Guard and we got together for the parties.*

*Love, Dee and John*###imported-begin###*John & Dee Percha*###imported-end###

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January 12, 2010 at 09:47 AM



“ *I am very sorry to hear the news,*  
*He is with the angles now, RIP*###imported-begin###*Dennis Sands*###imported-end###

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January 12, 2010 at 09:46 AM



“ Having the privilege of having served with 1SGT Denny Spencer, I am saddened that he has left us. Denny was a good soldier and a good man. He will be missed by all of us who had the honor of knowing and serving with him.

*His family will be in my thoughts and prayers. May the Lord comfort them with His love and presence as they mourn their loss.##imported-begin##BG( R) Ron Kerwood##imported-end##*

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January 12, 2010 at 09:46 AM



“ Debbie and family. Our hearts truly go out to you. We are deeply saddened by your great loss. We are so sorry and will pray for you. If you look to the Lord, he will see you through your grief. We feel so so sorry for you and the children as this is a great loss. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Marilyn & John Rogers##imported-end##

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January 11, 2010 at 10:18 PM



“ To the family of Mr. Spencer,

*Phillip and I are deeply saddened by your loss, and our prayers are with you all during this time of grief.*

*Dennis was such a lovely person, and we enjoyed the few times we got to spend with him at the wedding, dinner, and his last visit to Florida. We're sure he is in a much better, happier, and pain free place.*

*We know that there isn't much we can do from so far away, but know that you are all in our prayers.*

*We love you all,  
Molly and Phillip Panarello##imported-begin##Phillip and Molly  
Panarello##imported-end##*

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January 11, 2010 at 05:51 PM



“ Debra,

*Gudrun and I cannot even fathom the losses you have had in the past two weeks. We know that Dennis and your father are in a much better place and that should make your heart glad. We pray for you and your family that the good Lord will comfort and console your heart.*

*Mike and Gudrun Receniello##imported-begin##COL Mike  
Receniello##imported-end##*

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January 11, 2010 at 05:09 PM