



Dennis E. Hickey

October 12, 1930 - January 9, 2011

Dennis Eugene Hickey was born October 12, 1930 in Kingsville, Texas to Perry X. and Estelle Valenta Hickey, the third of four children. He died, surrounded by his family, on January 9, 2011 in San Antonio after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was raised in Alice, Texas where he attended William Adams High School. He subsequently attended Texas A&I College. He retired in 1971 from the U.S. Air Force after twenty years of service. His tours of duty included Europe and Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War. He started a new career at USAA in 1971, retiring in 1992. He was a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church and a member of the Knights of Columbus Chapter 4140, 3rd degree and Chapter 2102, 4th degree. He was a member of the Equestrian Order of Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem, St. Luke's Men's Club, the American Legion and the Knife and Fork Club of San Antonio. He was on the executive board of the Guadalupe Home, an organization for homeless expectant mothers, since its founding in 1997, and the San Antonio Czech Association. He enjoyed traveling and gardening. The closest thing to his heart was his family. He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Jeannine, his three sons, Steven and wife Lori, Gary and wife Julie, Mark and wife Karol deceased and daughter Eleanor and husband Dr. Thomas Ruhnke. He is also survived by two grandsons David Hickey and Michael Hickey and six granddaughters Sara Hickey, Kristen Ruhnke, Dylan Hickey, Lauren Ruhnke, Ellis Hickey, and Kimberly Ruhnke. He is survived by two brothers Perry Hickey and wife Tommie deceased, Charles Hickey and wife Kaye and

sister Imogene Klare and husband Clinton deceased, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall



“ I have found in my files from my Uncle Rupert (Leggett) a letter from Dennis to Rupert, dated July 18, 1960. I would like the appropriate family letter to have this letter and envelope. Please respond to this and I can get your address to send it to you! Thanks, David Huebner

David Huebner - July 18, 2024 at 10:36 AM



Hello
Mark Hickey is Dennis Hickey's son. He lives in San Antonio. I can get in touch with him, and let him know to contact you. Please email me at Blyx98@aol.com.

Karen Geiger, MD

Karen Page - February 07, 2025 at 01:34 AM

DH

“ If any family members receive this, I have a letter from Dennis the he wrote to my uncle in 1960. Very nice. I would be glad to send it to someone in the family.

David Huebner - June 11, 2024 at 04:21 PM

RK

“ May all the good times help you thru this sad one, You are in our prayers. Anne & Kirk

Richard Kirk & Anne Kirkpatrick - January 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ My prayers are with you in your loss. May God grant you peace.

Margaret Crawford Ogram - January 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ Jeannine: Only you know how much we loved Dennis. He fought a good fight. I am so glad we called last month and we all talked, laughed, and reminisced for over an hour. We have friends from Australia visiting and have not opened our email for over a week.

Flo and MT Smith - January 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“ My prayers and sympathy goes out to Jeannine & Family.

Gwen Jenkins - January 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ We wish to offer our condolences to Jeannine and family. May God Bles you in this time of sorrow

Woody and Margaret Mueller - January 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Dennis was my only brother in law, had there been another, he would have lowered the average, Dennis was 100%. I grew up feeling it was my responsibility to look after my sister and I took this job seriously. When Dennis came on the scene, I felt threaten

Victor Beck - January 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I am very saddened to hear of Dennis' passing. He was a kind, generous man that was thoughtful to everyone. He was my brother in law, and I will miss him. My sincerest prayers go out to Jeannine and her wonderul family knowing that they will take care

Janis Beck - January 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ We express our deepest sympathy to Jeanine and to all members of Dennis' family. Dennis and I had several good discussions concerning our attendance and graduation from the Air Force Officer Candidate School. They brought back many fond memories. He was,

Bill and Gerry Dillow - January 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Jeannine -
Joanne and I are so sorry to hear of Dennis' passing. He was a good Christian and I am sure you have many, many pleasant memories to help you through this difficult time.
Our prayers are with you.

Jay Tressler - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ I am so sorry for your family's loss. Dennis hired me for my last job at USAA. He was the best boss and friend. We have lost a great man. Sincerely,

Donna Tondre - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Jeannine & Family, You and Dennis are my "Special Angels" and I love you both and admire the example you "lived" that inspired many. You both, as believers and lovers of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, lived a life that inspired all to be what we as be

Barbara Hruby - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to all of Dennis' family, particularly to Jeannine.

Jack and Diane Bainter - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ Jeannine: We are praying for you. Dennis was a good man and a good friend. We are also praying for your health.

Peggy and Charles Kemble - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Dear Jeannine,
We are saddened by your loss. May God uphold and strengthen you in this dark hour.
L.G. & Jerry Beard Wehman

L.G. & Jerry Wehman - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you and family.

Marian B Hartman

Marian B Hartman - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ A true friend, fellow OCS classmate and a brother in arms. Dennis will be greatly missed. May the Lord grant peace and understanding to his wife, Jeannine and their family.

Al and Jane Clapp - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BV

“ Jeannine,
My deepest condolences to you and your family. I'm sorry I could not be there. I will say some prayers tonight, tomorrow, and as the days go by. I will also light a candle for Dennis at my church this week.

Bruce Verdecanna - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ Dear Jeannine, Tonight I returned on-line after 2 weeks of computer problems and was astounded to see our friend Dennis listed in the obituary. I tried to call, but in a 10:00 call with George, found out calling hrs were this eve, and you were there. Jean

Ed & Jean Johnson - January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Dennis will be missed by all especially his poker buddies. To Jeannie & Family my deepest regrets on the loss of your loved one.

Julius Kahn - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ We feel for Denis' family. I know he will be missed. Tom & Joy

Tom Browder - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Dennis was a great friend. We will miss him.

Merle and Clara Babe Browning - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ During OCS, Dennis was my closest and most valued friend.

ROBERT AND ELTIE HARKEY - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We were really sorry to hear of Dennis's passing and wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to your family. We Will miss him!

James V. Brooks - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ See you out West Dennis!

George Livingston - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Gary & Steven, I remember working with your dad at USAA with fondness; know that our prayers are there for you and your family.

Don Novian - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ Jeannine and family ~ our prayers are with you at this time. We will miss our brother in arms, Dennis and look forward to seeing him in Heaven.

Fred Wyant, Maj. USAF ret - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Dennis - I, and all those that had the joy of knowing you, will sorely miss you. As a fellow OCS classmate I always enjoyed our lunches together these past years. I consider myself fortunate to have known you. You are now in God's hands.

Ray Hamilton - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *With sincere sympathy to Dennis family. Dennis was a OCS Classmate, a friend and a patriot.*

*Cres C. Baca, Col.Ret
Jan 11, 2011
Los Lunas, NM*

Cres C. Baca - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ *another great man has left us.*

Virgil Schultz - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Dear Janine, We were both shocked at the sudden passing of Dennis. Our hearts and prayers go out to you at this time of great stress and sorrow. Let us know if there is anything we can do to help you.*

Mort and Sal Friedlander - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Dear Aunt Jeannine, Steven, Gary, Mark and Eleanor Ann,*

It is with tears in my eyes that I write this. I'm in a bit of shock about Uncle Dennis. He was such a warm and loving man and Uncle. His death is one of those losses that hits me squarely in

Karen Jeannine Beck - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ I was very sorry to learn of Dennis' passing and I extend my condolences to Jeannine and the rest of the family.

I had the pleasure of working with Dennis for many years at USAA. He was a very fine person and one whom you could always count on to do th

Bob Brakey - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Jeannine and Family, my heart goes out to you and You have my deepest sympathy. Anne and I really enjoyed our visits together at our reunions. We will all sorely miss Dennis. My prayers are with You.

Charles T Helton - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MY

“ Dear Jeannine,
Although we didn't know Dennis well, we thoroughly enjoyed being with him and with you--and the friendship that subsequently grew through emails. My heart and prayers go out to you.

Love, Maurine

Maurine Mitchell Young - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ To Dennis's family,

Robert Bob Garrett - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Jeannine, I was deeply saddened to read Dennis' obituary. I have fond memories of socializing with the two of you during our "senior" years. I will be in Kerrville for the next 2 days and unable to express my feelings in person. God bless you and your

Robert - January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM