



Dennison John Courtney

November 16, 1941 - May 26, 2025

Dennison John Courtney was born November 16, 1941 in Niagara Falls, New York and passed away May 26, 2025 in Houston, Texas. He grew up in Niagara Falls and attended Niagara University from which he graduated in 1963. Upon graduation, he was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant in the US Army. He married his wife Christine in 1964 and together they traveled to various post around the world. He left the Army as a captain in 1968 and began his sales career working for Firestone, Proctor and Gamble, 7up USA, Treesweet and retiring in 2007 from Riviana Foods. He spent his retirement years traveling and cruising with Christine.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years Christine, his sister Candice Courtney of Houston, Texas, his brother Kevin Courtney and his wife Teresa of Sunset Beach, Missouri, and his nephew DJ Courtney and his wife Stefanie of Denver, Colorado, and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Dennison and Monica Courtney.

Previous Events

Vigil Service

JUN 24. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-1500

Funeral Mass

JUN 24. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Reception to Follow Service

JUN 24. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

JUN 24. 1:30 PM (CT)

VA Houston National Cemetery
10410 Veterans Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77038-1502
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/houston.asp>

Tribute Wall

RM

“ Dear Chris; Today, Elaine Quirin, informed me of Denny's passing. Denny was one of the nicest students I chanced to meet during the days at Niagara. Often students in the dormitories don't get the chance to develop friendships with students who live off campus. But Denny and I did, as we shared times while pledging the ROTC honor societies. He was special. I wish to offer you my sincerest sympathy.--Dr Bob Ellwood, Niagara University Class of 1963

Robert Ellwood, MD - August 21, 2025 at 05:55 PM

JG

“ Jackie Gephart purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dennison John Courtney.



Jackie Gephart - June 23, 2025 at 12:47 PM

LF

“ Love, Diane & Rolf Flemming purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Dennison John Courtney.



Love, Diane & Rolf Flemming - June 21, 2025 at 03:54 PM

“ MEMORIES OF MY FRIEND DENNISON JOHN COURTNEY

My husband Rolf and I were returning from Dayton, Ohio to Houston. The stewardess asked me to move from the isle seat to the middle seat. Rolf took the window. The stewardess mentioned that Mr. Courtney had several knee injuries when in battles for our country. We introduced ourselves after everyone was seated. Rolf proceeded to read his book and fall asleep. Denny told some stories about events in his life and which I thought were very funny. So we conversed from Dayton to Houston. I had mentioned that I was an investment advisor and worked at the Galleria. He asked for my business card. I thought he was just being polite, but later Denny called my office to discuss how I managed investments for my clients. I told him my clients became like my family and I would help them with anything they needed help with. Later we met Chris, Denny's wife, and his sister Candace. We celebrated holidays together, took several cruises and also joined them in Aruba at their time share. Rolf and Denny never seemed to run out of things to talk about and after listening to the news they would say to one another "What would Reacher do"? Reacher, a character in Lee Child's books. Both enjoyed reading them. When the hurricane floods hit Houston, I had called Denny about the weather in his area. His reply was that they were just fine. The next day my phone rang and Denny said "Diane we have flooded"!! I said that I had just spoken to you yesterday and you were fine. He said "Diane we are now flooded with four feet of water in the house". I asked where were they going. He said that they were standing on a wall waiting for someone to pick us up. I said "Denny you all are coming to me". Luck had it, a woman picked them up and Denny, Chris, Candy and four dogs were on their way to our house. It was so easy to have them. We shared cooking meals and would you believe while they were with us our old refrigerator died and the dryer stopped drying the clothes, but we made it and still had a fun time together. I must say that we have never had a family that we loved more than the Courtneys. Denny was strong but gentle, loved his family, dogs and his church. I am sure when he breathed his last breath, the Lord

must have said, "Well done my good and faithful servant". For he loved the Lord, his church and his family..

Diane Flemming - June 21, 2025 at 02:18 PM

JG

Denny is one the greatest men I've ever known. My dad and I enjoyed many delicious meals, cooked by Chris, holidays, shared lots of laughs, & stories. I cut Dennys hair for 40 years and he told me all his secrets. He loved his wife, family, dogs, cruising and traveling and of course all his many friends. I was lucky enough to spend a week in Aruba with them. I'll never forget it. I miss you already. ❤️
Jackie Gephart

Jackie Gephart - June 21, 2025 at 03:47 PM

CA

“ *Candy purchased the Memories to Treasure for the family of Dennison John Courtney.*



Candy - June 20, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ *84 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Detting Funeral Home - June 19, 2025 at 02:39 PM

RF

“ A true and everlasting friend. Memorable times spent with Denni were always in Aruba. Both of us enjoyed reading Lee Child's books about Jack Reacher, the main character, an ex-military man who would always fix a situation, the necessary way-his way. During the day we would discuss events or situations that were happening at the time. We would always ask each other "How would Reacher handle this". At the end of the week Denni would say "See you next year in Aruba".

I will miss you my Dear Friend.

Rolf Flemming - June 19, 2025 at 11:13 AM



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Dettling Funeral Home - June 17, 2025 at 02:23 PM