



## Dennis E. Ferrel

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Born Athlete

Man of Steel

Dennis Edward Ferrel, age 67, was born and raised in Leavenworth, WA on June 8, 1951 to Charles and Berniece Ferrel, Sr. He lived in the Wenatchee Valley his entire life. Dennis attended grade school, middle school and high school, and graduated from Leavenworth High School in 1969. He excelled at many sports including football, basketball, and baseball. Dennis then went on to Wenatchee Valley College. When finished at WVC, he continued his education at Eastern Washington State College for business and accounting. During that time, he enjoyed playing slow pitch and participating in the pool league for The Hitching Post Tavern.

After his schooling, Dennis returned to Leavenworth and began logging. Due to his love for the outdoors, he was given the nickname, "Pine Tree". Dennis truly had a servant's heart and knew he wanted to make a difference in others' lives, which lead Dennis to began his career at Chelan County PUD in 1976. Hired on as a Meter Reader, Dennis was employed there for 37 years and retired as a Serviceman. Throughout the 37 years, Dennis was known for his customer service, ability to trouble-shoot, and his attention to detail.

Dennis married Susan (Sadie) Marie Hawkins on August 25, 1973 in Chelan, WA. They were married for 45 years, and she was the love of his life. Dennis always told Sadie, "If it wasn't for you, woman, I'd be living under the bridge.". Together they had three children, Brock, Kamron, and Alexis. Dennis lived for his family. He enjoyed spending time in the woods, going to deer camp with his friends, trap shooting, fishing, golfing, boating, snowmobiling, and coaching various sports.

Dennis is survived by his wife, Susan (Sadie) Ferrel, his son, Kamron Ferrel, his daughter, Alexis and Matthew Scott, his grandsons, Parker and Brody Scott, and his brothers, Charles and Devona Ferrel, Jr., and Robert and Tess Ferrel, and many nieces and nephews.

Dennis was preceded in death by his father, Charles Ferrel, Sr., his mother, Berniece Ferrel, his son, Brock Ferrel, and many other aunts, uncles, cousins and lifelong friends.

The family wishes to thank Confluence Health, Wenatchee Fire and Rescue, Ballard and Lifeline Ambulance, Dr. Crabtree, Dr. Dillion, and Dr. Strause, along with many other medical staff over the years.

Dispatch, twenty-seven.

Dispatch, twenty-seven, Dennis?

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Dispatch, no response, twenty-seven out of service.

Dispatch, all units, twenty-seven back in service ~ change of headquarters.

Please come and rejoice the celebration of Dennis' Life. The celebration of Dennis' Life will be held on Thursday, December 13 at 2:00 P.M. at Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

DEC 13. 2:00 PM (PT)

Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church  
1400 S Miller  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

# Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dennis E. Ferrel



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**Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home** - December 13, 2018 at 01:16 PM

DC

“ My dad worked with Dennis for a long time at the PUD. From the time I was young I always remember him as a kind person that was always willing to help. One time when I was young I was hunting up in the Entiat and had forgotten the bullets at home. We went to the guys deer camp and when Dennis had heard, without hesitation handed me his rifle and told me to get a big one. I'm sorry for your loss. He will be missed. Daniel Couch

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**Daniel Couch** - December 16, 2018 at 08:40 AM

MW

“ I saw Dennis with "damp eyes" only twice in all the time we were growing up together. The first was when we were H.S. sophomores. Dennis got into a fix with Coach Hauff over a party he had attended, and he was forced to relinquish his varsity basketball uniform to me (a JV player at the time) as part of his one-game suspension. He was barely holding it together as he handed it over to me in the locker room.

In the second instance, Dennis and I ran across one another (post H.S.) in Wenatchee, and we decided to stop in and grab a brew downtown somewhere. He told me that he and you, Sadie, had just become engaged, and that I was the first one to know about it. He was near to tears over that one, too. But at least THIS time, they were tears of joy.

Dennis, Mike Wyant and I enjoyed sports and summer hiking together from fourth grade through eighth. High School found us gravitating toward separate friends and separate interests, but the short time we enjoyed as "true pals" remains a vividly endearing, and enduring memory for me to this day. Makes me smile!

I planned to be in attendance for the Celebration of Dennis's Life, but reports of snow, ice, and traffic spin-outs prompted me to err on the side of caution. Having spoken that morning with Steve and Loy Willet, I trust they were able to convey my condolences to you and your family, as well as my apology for letting the winter weather get the better of me.

Peace, and the warmest of wishes,  
Michael (Snake) Wall

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**Michael Wall** - December 14, 2018 at 04:00 PM

 Tom  
Kibler

“ I worked with Denni for many years as a Lineman Always had nothing but Respect for Him as a Lineman and as a Man, Friend Rest in Peace Brother your Friend Tom Kibler

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**Tom Kibler** - December 14, 2018 at 03:06 PM



“ 73 files added to the album LifeTributes



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**Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home** - December 11, 2018 at 12:21 PM



“ As a longtime city fire fighter, I had to contact the PUD to get power shut off or other needs, during structure fires, and many times Denny showed up to help. He did a great job for us and I was happy to consult with him on anything we missed or he recommended, power safety wise. I'll miss him, he was a great guy. Mike Hughes

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**Mike Hughes** - December 06, 2018 at 11:55 PM