



## Dennis L. Smeltz

January 4, 1943 - March 7, 2021

Dennis L. Smeltz, 78, of Pillow, passed away on March 7, 2021, at his home in Pillow surrounded by his loving wife and daughter. He was born in Trevorton on January 4, 1943, a son of the late Paul and Hannah Smeltz.

Dennis worked at Meckley's Limestone for 45 years and served in the Army Reserve. In retirement he continued his coal delivery business and was a Funeral Attendant at James A. Reed Funeral Home.

He was a member of Salem-Zion Church of Pillow, Pillow Fire Co., lifetime member of Dauphin County Firemen's Association, Pillow Borough Council for 50 years, Grandview Cemetery Board, American Legion Dalmatia Post 504, Loyal Order of Moose Millersburg, social member of the Diamond Jubilee VFW Post 2385 Gratz, Vintage Motor Touring Society and the Gratz Antique Machinery Association. Dennis enjoyed going to vintage car tours, car shows, tractor shows and garden tractor pulls with his grandsons. His grandsons meant the world to him.

Dennis is survived by his wife Patricia Smeltz, daughter, Ashley (Steve) Welker; two grandsons, Brock and Cale Welker and God daughter Desiree Buffington. He was preceded in death by a son, Chris and a brother, Dale Smeltz.

Private services will be held at convenience of the family. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date, please check the Funeral Home website for date and time. Interment will take place in the Grandview Cemetery, Pillow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Salem-Zion Church, PO Box 116, Pillow, PA 17080, Pillow Fire Company, PO Box 452, Pillow, PA 17080 or Homeland at Home Hospice, 2300 Vartan Way, Suite 270, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

The Celebration of Life memorial service for Dennis Smeltz will be held on Saturday May 15th at 1 pm at the Pillow Park. Bring a chair and a memory of Dennis. We want this to be a time to share memories and stories of Dennis. If you decide ahead of time that you would like to speak at the service please reach out to Pat or Ashley. If you decide the day of, that's fine too.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

Maple Dale Park  
Cherry St  
Pillow, PA 17080

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS PAT AND DAUGHTER PRAYERS IN THIS VERY EMOTIONAL TIME PRAYERS  
DAWN SHAFFER

Dawn L Shaffer - March 18, 2021 at 10:58 PM

DH

“ From Truman and Betty Spotts, our coal hauler and friend. Always nice to see him and get to talk. Very nice guy. We will miss him. Prayers for his family

Debra Hennen - March 10, 2021 at 08:25 PM

CM

“ To Dennis's family:  
May God grant peace and comfort to you at this time.  
The last time I saw Dennis and Dale was at Aunt Hannah's funeral. My brother had more contact with Dennis than i did as I have lived away from home since I graduated from high school in 1964. My memories of Dennis and Dale are from when the family lived on the farm.  
Sincerely,  
Carol (Phillips) McClure

Carol (Phillips) McClure - March 10, 2021 at 07:38 PM

SP

“ pat and family so sorry to hear about dennis i always appreciated everything you and dennis did for my dad my thoughts and prayers are with you

sandra poletti - March 09, 2021 at 09:45 PM

CS

“ Pat and family, my deepest sympathy.



Candy Schade - March 09, 2021 at 08:44 PM

LH

“ Dear Pat, Ashley and Family,  
I am extremely sad that Dennis passed. I (Carol) worked with Dennis since 1973...a total of 48 years, between Meckley's and Pillow Borough. Up until recently, he was a bundle of energy and a go-getter! Our hearts go out to you with deepest sympathy. Dennis will be greatly missed! Praying for you all during this difficult time.

Lester & Carol Hoch - March 09, 2021 at 06:54 PM

TF

Pat and family, our sincere sympathy. Saddened learning this news.

The Schade families - March 09, 2021 at 08:40 PM

JR

“ Sending our prayers and love to the family.  
God bless.



Jim & Wanda Radel - March 09, 2021 at 03:06 PM

WS

“ Sympathy to pat and family. We will miss Dennis. He was a good man and a very good friend

William schroyer - March 09, 2021 at 06:58 AM

CC

“ *Lighting a candle in memory of Dennis L Smeltz. Robert and Cindy*



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**Cindy Clark** - March 09, 2021 at 04:45 AM

TA

“ *My deepest sympathy to Pat and family. Dennis was a good man and will be missed by many!*  
*Tamie Francis*

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**Tamie** - March 08, 2021 at 09:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dennis L. Smeltz.*



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March 08, 2021 at 04:40 PM