



## Dennis Rose

August 23, 1957 - April 22, 2024

Dennis Lane Rose, age 66, passed away unexpectedly April 22, 2024. Born August 23, 1957 in Hobbs, New Mexico, he was the baby of four children and a twin born to Carl Melvin Rose and Pearl Katherine (Wellinghoff) Rose.

Dennis spent his early years in both Hobbs and Carlsbad where he began school. By 1970, the Rose family settled in Purcell, and Dennis graduated with the Purcell Dragon's Class of 1975. He followed his heart, and in his father's footsteps, and joined the United States Marine Corp. He was a proud Patriot and served his country proudly. After his service, he returned home and began working in the oil field. In October of 1993, Dennis began working for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. He worked at both Mack Alford, and the Howard McLeod Correctional Facilities near Atoka, and for Joseph Harp and the LARC near Lexington in a career that spanned nearly 30 years. He retired from Classification and Population on September 30th, 2022.

While at Joseph Harp, he met the love of his life, and he often recalled of how he met his wife in prison. Her name was Julie Marie Wright, and they were the perfect couple, and on April 22, 2006, Dennis and Julie were married in Okla. City. Away from work, Dennis was probably hunting, fishing or camping.

He looked forward to deer camp and trips to the lake. He was onery and a little bit spoiled by his family and friends. His greatest joy was being a PawPaw, and he lived everyday for his grandkids. He was a wonderful husband and father, brother, uncle and a true friend. He will be dearly missed!

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Carl and Pearl Rose and his twin sister, Dianne Rose Johnson.

Dennis is survived by: his wife Julie of the home; daughter Devin Rose of Whitefield, OK; Big sisters, Carol Herron and husband Jerry of Noble and Patty Beaver and husband Melvin of Purcell; his pride and joy, grandchildren, Brynn, Brody and Blake; step-son, Derek Gustafson of Okla. City; Best friend Ronnie Gibby of Atoka and his beloved fur baby, Ava; several cousins, nieces and nephews and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral Services are scheduled for 10:00 A.M. Friday, April 26, 2024, at Little's Chapel. The family will receive friends from 5-7 P.M. Thursday evening at  
Wilson-Little Funeral Home. [www.wilsonlittle.com](http://www.wilsonlittle.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Patty, Melvin, Carol, Jerry and all the rest of your kids and family, I am so sorry to hear of Dennis' passing. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. May God comfort you in this sad time. Love you, Susie*

Suzanne Ruth Wells - April 26, 2024 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *We already miss your smile and your laugh. Blessed to know you these past several years, Dennis! Give Margo a hug for us, & fly high with the angels!*



Woody & Mary - April 25, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *Words can not express the shock I felt when I heard the news about Dennis. When I think of Dennis I think of what a mess he was at work. He always had a smile on his face and was usually up to something. I am sad that he didn't get to enjoy his retirement any longer than he did. But ours is not to question our good Lord's plans. Prayers for Julie and the family. Reta Cottrell*



Reta Cottrell - April 25, 2024 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *Dennis was a great friend and fellow cert member when we worked together at Stringtown*

Mike Talley - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Blessings to you all ~ stay strong!



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**Carol Pattillo** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ God speed dear cousin. The world is a little less funny without you in it. You came by your ornery gene naturally. I love you.

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**Victoria Wilson** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ You guys are in my thoughts and prayers. Dennis was bigger than life, and I will miss him.  
Walisa



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**Walisa Jones** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Sincere sympathy to Julie and the family in the loss of their beloved Dennis. I have such fun memories of growing up with Dennis & his twin, Dianne in Carlsbad, NM. We spent hours playing games with neighborhood kids on Sunset Circle. He was ornery to me but I always managed to give him a run for his money. He wouldn't let us girls go fishing with him so one day we hid his pole! Oh my, my, that wasn't a good thing!

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**Rhonda Cook** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Rose was Chief when I started at JHCC in 2008. He was onery, always kidding people and made you tow the line by knowing policy. He became a friend I will never forget. Maybe he will meet my husband up there somewhere and they can go fishing. Rest well Rose, you will never be forgotten!

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**Cindy Saldana** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Julie

*Sorry for your loss and my prayers are with and your family.*

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**John Somers** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Julie,  
*Please accept my condolences for your loss. Regina and I will keep you and your family in our prayers.*

*May God guide you through these times.*

DC

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**D.C. Cole** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *Our deepest condolences to Dennis' family. I had the privelege of working for Dennis while he was Chief of Security at the Howard McLeod. Prayers to the family, he will be truly missed.*



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**Tod and Tracie Dillard** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ When I first met Dennis I was like, what a gruff old man, lol. After getting to know him, I found out his heart was bigger than most peoples. We loved to make people think we were arguing(which reminded me so much of me and my grandfather which was good memories), and he seemed to enjoy it as much as me because after, we would just laugh. Oh how his laugh was contagious. Even though I can't be there Friday, my heart will be. He will always be remembered by myself and many others by the stories we tell and the impact he made on our hearts. Thank you for sharing him with the world! You guys will be in my thoughts and prayers in the days, weeks, months and years to come for a long time. Lisa (Walisa)

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**Walisa Jones** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest in Peace Dennis

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**Ron McIninch (MACC)** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ I'm so sorry about your loss, especially it being on your anniversary. I have experienced the void you will be going thru, let your friends and family help you.

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**Roberta Fisher** - April 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM