



George A. Dirks

June 24, 1951 - June 6, 2022

George A. Dirks, 70, of Springfield, IL passed away on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 11:30 PM at Sunny Acres Nursing Home in Petersburg, IL. He was born on June 24, 1951 in Springfield, IL to Arthur F. and Ercell (Janssen) Dirks. He later married Joan Farris, she survives.

George is also survived by his stepson, Matthew Farris in Michigan; two brothers, Larry (Barb) Dirks of Petersburg, IL, and Frank Dirks of Jacksonville, IL. He was preceded in death by his parents, and an infant brother, John William Dirks.

George graduated in 1969 from PORTA High School and then served his country in the United States Air Force. Following his military service, George received his bachelor's degree, and later his master's degree through Southern Illinois University Carbondale. George had worked for the State of Illinois in the Department of Human Services for over 20 years and had previously worked as a substance abuse counselor. He was passionate about golfing, was an avid Chicago Cubs fan, and was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Petersburg.

Cremation rites have been accorded and a graveside service will be held for George on Saturday, July 9th at 11:00 AM at Rose Hill Cemetery in Petersburg. Cameo Mancini will officiate. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com
Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg, IL is assisting the family with

arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Cemetery

Petersburg, IL 62675

Tribute Wall



“ George A. Dirks

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ George visited our store regularly and the entire staff enjoyed him tremendously. We hadn't seen him for 4 months and were commenting how much he has been missed. Fully of joy, laughs and always giggled me with quips PLUS he bought and sold with us on every visit. God bless you George and we will look forward to meeting again on the golf course some day. From Paul & Kelly Layton, Brandon Rice and Sam Faivre, his family at UNDERDOG Sports.

Paul Layton - June 21, 2022 at 05:48 PM



“ Always loved when he came in to the office. We would joke and kid around, he was a great soul. He will be truly missed.



Charlotte Brockman - June 16, 2022 at 07:31 PM



“ I'm very sorry to hear about George's passing. I was fortunate to work with him at IDPH. He always brought a smile and story to share. He will be missed.

Nikki - June 13, 2022 at 02:25 PM

LC

“ I met George during my first job out of college. He was my ATOD grant monitor. Then our paths crossed again at IL Dept of Public Health. He was a great person, knowledgeable about people and topics, a great bullshitter, and a great person. I'll miss you George!!!

Lynette Clontz - June 09, 2022 at 08:44 PM

SH

I met George at public health in health promotion. We worked in the deputy directors office together. We had many long chats. You will be missed.

sarah hagaman - June 12, 2022 at 05:30 PM

DG

“ *Frank and Larry.
We are sorry to hear of George's passing.
Our condolences to both of you*

Dave and Sonia Gurnsey

David Gurnsey - June 09, 2022 at 02:31 PM

MG

“ *I'm sorry to hear of George's passing. I have high school memories of him, he was always very kind and a unique sense of humor. My condolences to Larry and his family and Frank.*

millie Grosboll - June 09, 2022 at 09:48 AM

LH

“ Larry And Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory of George A. Dirks



Larry and Mary Hundt - June 09, 2022 at 08:30 AM

JV

“ so sad to hear, was a great guy
johnny mac virgin

johnny m virgin - June 09, 2022 at 06:44 AM

RS

“ Larry, our sincerest condolences to you and your family. Rick and Karen Setzer

Rick Setzer - June 08, 2022 at 01:27 PM

MW

“ What a great guy! Many wonderful memories of George from high school. Sympathies to his family and loved ones.

Marilyn Loeffler Whitley - June 08, 2022 at 11:59 AM