



Dennis Betts

September 10, 1947 - December 19, 2015

Reverend Dennis “Preacher” Betts, 68, of Hot Springs, AR went to be with his Lord and Savior, Saturday December 19th at 5 p.m. He was born September 10, 1947 in Los Angeles, California to James and Claudia Betts. He was ordained a Baptist minister in the late 1980’s and spent most of his time riding his motorcycle into the mission field, ministering to those that were not in the mainstream of society. He was a devout Christian who attended Crossgate Church and a Master Mason with Whittington Masonic Lodge No. 365. He was a member of CMA (Christian Motorcycle Association), ABATE (Arkansas Bikers aiming Towards Education), ABBA (Arkansas Baptist Biker Association) and MSC (Mission Service Corps). He was also a substitute teacher.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Edward Betts Sr., his mother, Claudia Louise Betts and his brother James Edward Betts Jr.

Dennis is survived by his loving wife of 20 years, Vikki Elaine Betts of Hot Springs; his sons, Dennis Keith Betts Jr. (Louisiana), James “Jimmy” Dubree (Louisiana), Brian E. Betts (Texas); stepson Shane Kinniell (Arkansas) and Christine Blanco (Louisiana), who was like a daughter to Dennis; brothers Terry Betts (Louisiana), Michael Betts (Arkansas) and Paul Betts (Arkansas). He was blessed with 10 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is from 12:30-2:00 p.m. at Hot Springs Funeral Home on Wednesday, December 23, 2015, funeral service immediately following. Burial will be at Morning Star Cemetery following the funeral.

Tribute Wall

GA

“ *My sincere condolences to the extended and immediate family of Mr. Betts. May God bless him and Brian and all of the family now and forever. Peace be with us all.*

Guy Anderson - June 20, 2022 at 11:33 PM

MR

“ *I didn't know Dennis had passed away until today. I worked with him at Westminster Presbyterian Church in their after school program. I really enjoyed working with him and he was a great supervisor. He was always laid back and I could tell he really loved working with the children. My thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. Vickie may God be with you. Michelle*



Michelle Rosamond - January 23, 2016 at 07:40 PM

AK

“ *Ken and I really enjoyed knowing Dennis. Such a pleasant soul. He will be missed*

Ann Kirtley - December 23, 2015 at 01:15 PM

RJ

“ *Prayers are here for your family*

Ruby Jenkins - December 23, 2015 at 11:20 AM



Laurie Scott

“ *OH Lord, you have received a great gift... Dennis was my brother-in-law at one point in time. We had some of the greatest times dancing the night away. I will miss you !!!*

Laurie Scott - December 22, 2015 at 10:32 PM

KH

Nothing was said about his short time with the Villages of Westminster. I had the privilege of a short lived friendship. He was great with the children and was Jesus to them. A true servant heart. Kerry Hird

Kerry Hird - December 23, 2015 at 07:44 PM

LM

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy For The Family...He Is Riding With Many Of Our Brothers From Here In Arkansas Now...See Ya Soon My Friend, That Time Is Getting Near...<///><*

Larry Medford - December 22, 2015 at 10:02 PM



“ *Dennis worked with us at the VOW program at Westminster Presbyterian Church. He was so patient with those kids. He was the perfect role model. We will miss him. We. Are so sorry for your loss. Patti and Doug Sweeney*

Patti Sweeney - December 22, 2015 at 10:01 PM

DW

“ *I met him in 1987 when I was at the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center and we got to be good friends. I was hoping to see him when I was there again. We had just reconnected on Facebook. Sorry for your loss - Dennis Williams*

Dennis Williams - December 22, 2015 at 08:51 PM

SP

“ Sorry for your loss Vikki and glad for the time y'all had . Love you Serdrohn

serdrohn partain - December 22, 2015 at 07:08 PM

RS

“ Rose Sparlin lit a candle in memory of Dennis Betts



Rose Sparlin - December 22, 2015 at 02:15 PM

RS

who we riddin" behind tommorows the day the SONS gonna shine !!(Nitty Gritty Dirt Band Deepest Condolences

Rose Sparlin - December 22, 2015 at 02:40 PM

EG

Vikki, and family, I am sorry for your loss. Dennis was a truly great man, Elee Grossman and Familly

Elee Grossman - December 22, 2015 at 11:18 PM

QC

I never met Dennis, but I read his testimony on a bulletin board in HS,Ark. Because of this I found my Lord and Savior. I'm 68, when I make heaven I'm going to look my brother up. Quinton Cook

Quinton Cook - December 31, 2018 at 10:41 AM

RS

“ Dear Vikki just now saw the Obit my deepest condolences this world will miss a good man my Heart goes out to you HES RIDDING WITH THEI IORD NOW

Rose Sparlin - December 22, 2015 at 02:03 PM



“ *Imagination Blooms was purchased for the family of Dennis Betts.*



December 22, 2015 at 12:57 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dennis Betts.*



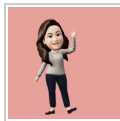
December 22, 2015 at 12:54 PM



“ *Rev. Dennis Betts was a neighbor of ours who worked with us on several projects for improvement to the neighborhood. He was a nice guy with compassion for others. Vikki, we have compassion for your loss of your husband.*
Ann & Jerry Metz



Ann and Jerry Metz - December 22, 2015 at 10:35 AM



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Patti and Doug Sweeney

Patti Sweeney - December 22, 2015 at 09:58 PM

RH

“ Vikki, Your loss has humbled our hearts and spirits. Please accept our prayers for God to lift your head, comfort your heart and provide the confidence to face the new each day ahead. I have known you for many decades now, and when tough is tough, God and you are tougher . . . that has been proven time and time again.

Rebecca Harrison - December 21, 2015 at 05:20 PM

PH

Vikki,

We will keep you in our prayers. We love you.

Peggy & Paul Hamilton

Peggy & Paul Hamilton - December 22, 2015 at 05:09 PM

MD

We just learne of Dennis' passing today at Church!!! Vicki we will certainly keep you in our prayers. There was a group of us from the eighties into the nineties that worked together and developed a great bonding friendship, we had a lot of fun for several years; i saw Dennis not to long ago at Kroger and was thrilled to get to visit with him, rest in peace my friend! Mary Melnda and Phillip Davis

MARY M. DAVIS - December 27, 2015 at 12:02 PM

MG

Is this the Denny Betts from Sylmar High? I spoke to him about a year or so ago, and his wife called to tell me he had passed away. It could be a different Denny Betts, I'm not sure (Kurt's younger brother, and may they both rest in peace). Shamrock849@att.net. Marianne Grosskopf

Marianne Grosskopf - December 15, 2017 at 09:09 PM