



Dennis Brandenburg

July 29, 1959 - July 22, 2025

Dennis Brandenburg passed away on July 22, 2025 in Bedford, Indiana surrounded by family and love, finding peace after his struggle with ALS. He was born on July 29, 1959 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. His humor, love of family, music, and sense of adventure will be missed.

Dennis is survived by his wife of 30 years Lea Tolub Brandenburg, his children and their spouses: Katie Brandenburg Donnellan/Michaell Donnellan of Brooklyn, NY and Joseph Brandenburg/Lisa Celifarco Brandenburg of Westfield, IN. His grandchildren Nicoletta and Sal Peritore (Katie's children) and Joey and Robbie Brandenburg (Joe's children). His sister, Denise Gernhardt (Brandenburg)/Gregg Gernhardt of Carmel, IN. His mother, Annette Brandenburg of Garrett, IN.

His father, Samuel Roger Brandenburg and brother, Dean A. Brandenburg, have preceded him in death.

A devoted animal lover, Dennis and his wife, gave four dogs a new life and home. His beloved dogs traveled with them, walked trails, played fetch in the yard and spent quiet evenings curled up on the couch cuddling. He is survived by Ruby.

Dennis was a 1977 graduate of DeKalb HS. After receiving an Associates

Degree from ITT Technical Institute in 1978, he worked for Inland Steel for 17 years advancing to a position of management of the water treatment facility. In 1995, he, his children and bride moved to Brooklyn, New York.

Having a love of technology he became a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer and transitioned into a new career in 1995. When working for the Computer Merchant as a consultant he was placed with Citibank and was part of a team that helped Motorola make the transition through Y2K. He worked for New York Life Insurance, advanced to the position of corporate Vice President and retired from the company after over 25 years.

While at New York Life, Dennis, as a volunteer, organized a yearly Blood Drive. Other acts of service include volunteering to help clean and set up a summer camp for disadvantaged children. He loved car racing, anything car related, camping, being in nature, sailing and traveling.

The family thanks these medical professionals for their kindness, support and expertise as Dennis traveled his ALS journey: The Neurology Specialists, The ALS Clinic of Indianapolis/Dr. Cynthia Bodkin and Dr. Pratt, the Indiana chapter of ALS.org (Connie and Julie) the IU Home Health aide team (Alisha, Don, Angela, Lauren, Tina and Angie), Jamie, RT, who helped him breathe and managed his breathing equipment the seventeen months he fought ALS, Dr. Matlock and his staff, Dr. Shenoy, his hospice team (Liz and Rick) and Laura.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Dennis on August 24th from 2 to 5pm at:

Deer Park Manor
1501 E. Hillside Drive
Bloomington, IN 47401

In lieu of flowers, please donate to:

[ALS.org](https://www.als.org)

You'll find a donate button at the top of the page on the upper right hand side.

Cremation Rites have been accorded. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 South old State Road 37 is handling the arrangements and online
condolences; photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at
www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

AUG **24**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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1501 East Hillside Drive
Bloomington, IN 47401

Tribute Wall



“ So so sorry for your loss. I will be sending prayers on Sunday
Valorie

Valorie Hubbard - August 19, 2025 at 08:38 AM