



## Dennis R. Underwood

June 15, 1951 - February 29, 2016

Dennis “Chico” R. Underwood, 64 of Harriman went to be with the Lord on Monday, February 29, 2016 with his family by his side. He was born on June 15, 1951 to Joe and Trudy Underwood. He accepted Christ at age 13 and was of the Baptist faith. He served in the Tennessee Air National Guard from 1970-1976, ending his career as a Buck Sergeant. He was a die-hard St. Louis Cardinals fan.

He was preceded in death by father Joe Underwood and his beloved dog “Gizmo.”

Survived by: Mother: Trudy Underwood of Harriman

Brother: Wayne (Sharon) Underwood of Knoxville

Sister: Darlene (Steve) Heiser of Powell

Nephews: Joshua (Leslie) Heiser of Gibbs

Jacob (Kathy) Heiser of Corryton

Niece: Julie Heiser of Panama City, FL

Great-nephews: Braden Heiser

Grayson Heiser

Great-nieces: Kaitlynn Heiser

Caroline Heiser

And a host of aunts and cousins.

Graveside services for family and friends will be held at Oak Ridge Memorial Park with full military honors and dove release on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Pallbearers will be Steve, Joshua and Jacob Heiser, Curt Kreis and Boyd Lewis. Honorary pallbearers will be Dennis' favorite "little ones", Braden, Kaitlynn, Grayson and Caroline Heiser and "Gizmo" in spirit.

The family extends a special thanks to Dr. Raman, the fourth floor cancer nurses Amy, Elfreeda, Etta, Becky, Susan and Darla, and the pink lady volunteers at Oak Ridge Methodist Center.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Ridge Memorial Park

1501 Bethel Valley Road  
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

# Previous Events

## Graveside

MAR 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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1501 Bethel Valley Road  
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Angie Luffman Butler lit a candle in memory of Dennis R. Underwood*



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**Angie Luffman Butler** - March 19, 2016 at 05:31 PM

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“ *My heartfelt condolences. So very sorry to hear of Dennis's passing. He was one of the good ones.*

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**Janie Ladd Murray** - March 12, 2016 at 07:41 AM

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“ *Barbara ( Short ) Norman lit a candle in memory of Dennis R. Underwood*



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**Barbara ( Short ) Norman** - March 11, 2016 at 07:58 PM



“ *Rose Tribute was purchased for the family of Dennis R. Underwood.*



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March 08, 2016 at 03:16 PM

 Calma  
Miller

“ I met Dennis, by way of my brother Aubrey Smith. In 1970, I was 12 years old and quite impressionable. Our country was in a turbulent time, the war in Vietnam was winding down. The "draft" was hotly contested. There was Woodstock, Beatles, drugs, hippies. Dennis stepped up to bat, joined the Air National Guard and showed the Harriman community, what red blooded American standards were. Thank you for your superlative example and thank you for your service. His example will live on, in the lives he touched. May God be with his family, especially Darlene and Wayne and Mom, and bring them comfort and peace. Love Calma Lou Miller

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**Calma Miller** - March 04, 2016 at 02:55 PM



“ Dennis was a good friend. We shared many happy times in Gatlinburg, Knoxville, and while in high school. Dennis was a kind and generous man. He was a friend in times when a friend was hard to come by. The world is a lesser place without him. From Ole Aub.

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**Aubrey Smith** - March 03, 2016 at 05:10 PM

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**Mandy Goessling** - March 03, 2016 at 05:12 PM

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“ Steve Todd lit a candle in memory of Dennis  
R. Underwood



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**Steve Todd** - March 02, 2016 at 08:09 AM

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*our deepest sympathies to Darlene, family, and friends. Rest in Peace my friend.*

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**Angie Luffman Butler** - March 19, 2016 at 05:34 PM