



## Dennis "Denny" W. Hampton

December 27, 1943 - January 24, 2023

Dennis "Denny" W. Hampton, 79, of Ankeny, passed away on January 24, 2023, surrounded by loving family and friends after a long battle with Alzheimer's.

Denny was born December 27, 1943, to Carl and Gladys (Stater) Hampton in Des Moines, Iowa.

He joined the US Marine Corps in 1961 and was a proud member of the Marine Reserves until his honorable discharge in 1967. He was also a member of Electricians Union IBEW Local 347 for 30 years. Denny was passionate about carpentry, photography, and family. His dedication and skills have been preserved in many ways, from the family home re-built and designed by hand to a fully electric dollhouse currently on display at Ankeny Area Historical Society.

Denny is preceded in death by his siblings, brother, Ronnie Hampton; sister, Patty (Hampton) Shaw; and son, Shawn Hampton.

He is survived by wife, Janet Hampton; sister, Jacqueline (Jerry) Schmaltz); sons, Rod (Judy) Leach, Richard "Dick" (Mary) Boxx-Hampton, and Jason Hampton; many nieces, nephews and eight grandchildren, Tiffany (Dan) Reeves, Danielle (Daniel) Boxx-Hampton, Nicole Boxx-Hampton, Ryan

Bischoff, Nick (Haleigh) Leach, Amanda Leach, Cody Hampton and Alex Boxx-Hampton.

A Celebration of Life Gathering will be Sunday, May 21, 2023 from 12 PM to 4PM at the American Legion, 521 SW 3rd Street, Ankeny, Iowa. Denny will be buried at Iowa Veteran's Cemetery in Van Meter, Iowa.

He will be missed by all and loved forever.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Alzheimer's research association at [alzra.org](http://alzra.org)

## Cemetery Details

### Iowa Veterans Cemetery

34024 Veterans Memorial Drive  
Adel, IA

## Previous Events

### Celebration of Life Gathering

MAY **21**. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

The American Legion  
521 SW 3rd Street  
Ankeny, IA 50023

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to learn of Denny's passing. I met Denny when I was in high school and he was driving our bus. We became friends instantly. He had a sense of humor like no one else. I will never forget the laughs we shared over the years. My life is better for having known him. Rest in peace my friend

Steve Moore - February 18, 2023 at 01:18 PM

JJ

“ Denny was a wonderful man,  
I will greatly miss him,  
When him and I worked together he was always able to teach in so many different ways? Great person & always there for everything!  
Thoughts and prayers to you Janet & your family.

Joseph Jones - January 27, 2023 at 10:47 PM

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“ Oh, Uncle Denny I will miss seeing you. You always could make me laugh. You & Janet have always been so loving to me. Rest in peace.  
Love, Cindy

Cindy Rolow - January 27, 2023 at 10:26 PM



“ Uncle Denny Was awesome. Funny Loved with his whole heart yet matter of fact. Straight up! Called me Kiddo. He was loved and I wish I knew that the last time I'd saw him was the last time. He's one of a kind. There will NEVER be another Uncle Denny!! I pray he knew how much I loved him. I hope he gives Shawn a big hug from me.

Vera Gentry - January 27, 2023 at 09:16 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dennis "Denny" W. Hampton.*



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January 27, 2023 at 09:07 PM



“ *When Uncle Denny walked in a room he made everyone laugh, never took anything serious, life was all about laughter. I guess you are not suppose to have a favorite Uncle, however I am proud to say 'He was my favorite Uncle'.  
Uncle Denny you will be truly missed, I will do everything in my power to live my life like you did. Find the good in everyone you meet but most importantly, 'Make them LAUGH'. Your Nephew Jeff Schmaltz*

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**Jeffrey Schmaltz** - January 27, 2023 at 07:25 PM



*Sorry to hear about Denny, he was a great guy and he did make you laugh he will be missed one smart guy too! My condolences to the family ed sable*

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**ed sable** - January 27, 2023 at 09:23 PM



*Going to miss you, Denny! I'm sure you will keep an eye on us when we're at your house playing cards. Tell Shawn we miss him, too.  
Diane*

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**Diane Christenson** - January 28, 2023 at 04:20 PM

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*My condolences to the family of a tremendous man; a great conversationalist, always happy and a "fix anything" sort of guy. Rest In Peace, partner.*

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**Michael McMurry** - January 29, 2023 at 10:50 AM

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*With sincere sympathy Janet and family at Dennis's passing. May he rest in peace and loving memories bring you comfort and peace.*

*Mary Lonsdale*

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**Mary Lonsdale** - January 29, 2023 at 01:10 PM