



Tony C. "Dusty" Draper

November 26, 1946 - November 4, 2021

Tony "Dusty" C. Draper, age 74 of Forest, passed away November 4, 2021 at Bridge Hospice Care Center in Findlay. He was born November 26, 1946 in Kenton to the late Ross and Ethel (Long) Draper Jr. Tony married Jackie Bassitt on January 25, 1969.

He is survived by his wife, children Tony (Christina) Draper Jr., Whitehouse, Angela Draper, Forest, grandchildren Derek Draper, Eric Draper, Megan McGill, Nathan Draper, Olivia Draper, great grandchild Hayden Draper, siblings Casey (Mila) Draper, Kenton, Ross (Geraldine) Draper, Dola, Rita Little, Patterson. Tony is preceded in death by his siblings Peggy Vanderpool, Gloria Smith, and Dixie Pauley.

Tony was a 1966 graduate from Riverdale High School. He was a Vietnam Veteran in the US Army where he was a radio operator. Tony later worked as a mechanic and was a member of the VFW Post 1182. He enjoyed camping and fishing in his free time. Tony was an avid OSU Buckeyes and Browns fan, and quite often his cheers and frustrations could be heard by the neighbors. He was married to the "Love of His Life" for over 51 years and he treated her like a queen. Tony will be remembered for loving all of his family unconditionally, and he never missed an opportunity to brag about his grandchildren's accomplishments.

A graveside service will be held at 10:00AM Wed. Nov. 24, 2021 in Patterson Cemetery with Full Military Honors conducted by VFW Post 1182, American Legion Post 259 both of Forest, and AmVets Post 1994 of Kenton. Memorial Contributions may be to VFW Post 1182 in care of Clark Shields Funeral Home 301 S. Patterson St. Forest, OH 45843. To extend a condolence or share a memory visit www.shieldsfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Patterson Cemetery*

2159-2253 Township Road 195
Forest, OH 45843

Previous Events

Graveside

NOV **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RW

“ *Running into Tony was always the highlight of a trip to town. Sharing some laughs with him came easy. R.I.P. Tony.* ”

Russ Wright - November 06, 2021 at 07:04 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tony C. "Dusty" Draper.* ”



November 06, 2021 at 12:45 PM

CS

“ *Uncle Dusty....what a family we have. Lots of love and memories we all can share. Plenty of pictures to cherish also. I will miss you coming to our door with an empty coffee cup and saying “Connie Honey you got some coffee for me” and we would sit and chat. The family get togethers that we all remember with a finger hole in the center of the cake and we ALL knew who did that. Right???? Uncle Dusty I miss you so much already. May you rest in piece until we are all together again. Love Connie* ”

Connie Searfoss - November 05, 2021 at 10:10 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Tony C. "Dusty" Draper.* ”



November 05, 2021 at 08:15 PM

DP

“ Great neighbor and friend. Dale and Shirley Pope



Dale and Shirley Pope - November 05, 2021 at 05:17 PM

SM

“ Ross, Sending my sympathy to you and the family during this difficult time. I remember Tony and he was such a sweet kid. May he Rest In Peace!

Susan Hemmerly Myers - November 05, 2021 at 05:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tony C. "Dusty" Draper.



November 05, 2021 at 03:50 PM

JW

“ Jeff Wentz lit a candle in memory of Tony C. "Dusty" Draper



jeff wentz - November 05, 2021 at 03:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Tony C. "Dusty" Draper.*



November 05, 2021 at 03:05 PM



“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Tony Draper Jr - November 05, 2021 at 02:48 PM



“ *My love and condolences to the family. I only met Dusty once or twice, but he was definitely a memorable man. The many stories his loving daughter, Angie, told me about her dad over the years, were filled with love and admiration for him. He was definitely one of a kind and will be missed by many. Thank you sir, for your service. May you all reflect on the great memories of him and let that be your light in the darkness.*

Lisa Hall

lisa hall - November 05, 2021 at 02:15 PM

JV

“ Jarrud Vanderpool lit a candle in memory of Tony C. "Dusty" Draper



jarrud vanderpool - November 05, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Tony C. "Dusty" Draper.



November 05, 2021 at 01:39 PM

JT

“ Tony was not only my brother in law, but more like a brother. He was my friend. He was too many things to mention. He had a heart of gold, a sense of humor like no other. He was kind, compassionate, and loved by all. Our family gained a wonderful person when he married my sister and Heaven gained a wonderful Angel when he got to heaven. RIP Dusty!!❤️

Judy TAYLOR - November 05, 2021 at 12:55 PM