



## Dennis Allen Lienemann

May 24, 1944 - August 3, 2025

Indigo Creek resident Dennis Allen Lienemann was born May 24, 1944, in Hastings, Nebraska, and passed on August 3, 2025 from Acute Myeloid Leukemia. He was preceded in death by his parents Suntke L. and Helen M. Lienemann, his brother Jerome Leroy Lienemann, and his sister-in-law Linda Young Lienemann.

Denny's family moved to North Platte, Nebraska, where he grew up and graduated in 1962 from North Platte High School. As an accomplished multi-sport athlete in football, basketball, track and baseball, Denny had the opportunity on two separate occasions to pitch against Satchel Paige and the traveling Kansas City Monarchs team. Denny's team won both games. At Kearney State College (now Univ. of Nebraska-Kearney), Denny joined the Caledonia (Sigma Phi Epsilon) fraternity where he met several of his lifelong friends. He and seven of those friends created the Pre-Death Gang with the lofty ambition of getting together annually to play golf and cards. With an official logo stating "Golf and Poker, Forever", the PD group convened at different locations in the U.S. or Canada for 42 years. Their tradition of sending Christmas cards with a picture of the gang on the first tee and the message "Be good to your husband this holiday season, it may be his last..." allows for a fun look down memory lane.

After graduation in May 1966 with a Bachelor of Science Degree, he immediately began working as credit manager for Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company in North Platte. His career path changed from automotive to

electronics when a friend told him TRW, Inc. in Ogallala, Nebraska, was hiring sales and marketing personnel. After a successful interview, the Lienemann family made Ogallala their home for 18 years. An opportunity with Illinois Capacitors relocated the family to Chicago for a year before Denny reunited with a former colleague at AVX-Kyocera in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Known affectionately as Mr. Intel (his largest account), Denny retired in 2003 from the industry which afforded him ample opportunities for domestic and international travel – most often to Singapore.

Denny met the love of his life, Judith Anne Austin of Hastings, Nebraska, administering college admissions tests to incoming freshmen. They married on November 25, 1966, and he enjoyed doing things both with – and for – her. As an inseparable pair, Denny and Judy collected antiques, opened The Glass Haus antique store in Ogallala, designed and built The Putt-A-Round mini-golf course, vacationed with their boys and with friends, played cards and dice games, and watched movies at drive-ins and in theaters. They called 17 different addresses “home” and were together for 58 magical years.

A life-time member of the Elks Club (Nebraska), Denny was never without a witty or clever remark (“Other than that Mrs. Lincoln, how was the play?”). He was called one of the kindest men by anyone who knew him and will be dearly missed by all.

Survivors include two sons: Garth W. Lienemann (Tracy Sheppard) of Ashland, Nebraska, and Christopher J Lienemann (Amy Bazen) of Haymarket, Virginia. There are four grandchildren: Molly Kathleen of Washington, DC; Grace Marie of Lincoln, Nebraska; Connor Austin and Avery Nicole of Haymarket, Virginia.

Our sincere appreciation goes to the Tideland Cancer Center doctors and staff and the Heartland Hospice team of professionals for the care given to Denny during his illness.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Surfside United Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 10th. Memorials are suggested to the Leukemia Lymphoma Society, 1201 15th Street N.W., Suite 410, Washington, DC 20005

or a charity of one's choice.

# Previous Events

## A Celebration of Life

AUG **10**. 2:00 PM - 2:54 PM (PT)

Surfside United Methodist Church  
800 13th Ave N  
Surfside Beach, SC 29575-4163  
(843) 238-2734

# Tribute Wall

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“ Denny, we had some good memories at NPHS. I won't forget our botched trip to the "63 Shrine Bowl and the detour to Minden. Our secret. Rest in peace old friend.  
Gary Scheet

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**Gary Scheet** - August 09, 2025 at 01:30 PM

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“ Denny, we had lots of memories from Schleif's biology class. There was never a dull moment throughout high school. You've finally outrun the pain. May you have fair winds and following seas on the next portion of life's voyage.

Duane

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**Duane Andre; CDR, USN (Ret)** - August 07, 2025 at 10:06 PM

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“Denny and Judy opened their home to me every day throughout high school. It was like my second home. Denny gave me the nickname “Crusher” because once while Garth and I were playing basketball I smashed their garage door in. My family had very little money at the time but we were never asked to pay anything even though I’m sure it was a very expensive repair. Denny played a major role in teaching me the game of golf. I still have vivid memories to this day of playing with him. He’d hit a 3 wood from the fairway (they were still made of wood back then) and say “did you see that? Like a rocket!” and make a motion of a rocket soaring through the sky with his hand. I remember he’d let Garth and I take out the Trans Am on Friday nights. I remember playing keyboards on the dash to AHA’s Take me on and the next time I’d see him he’d say you were playing keyboards on the dash again huh crusher? Still makes me laugh. Rest in peace Denny. You were a great man who will be missed. My best to his loved ones, Judy, Chris, and Garth. What a legacy you leave behind!

Love,

Crusher

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**Scott Thone** - August 07, 2025 at 09:12 PM

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“What a beautiful obituary. And how neat to hear that Denny pitched against Satchel Paige. My fond memory is Denny staying late after a little league baseball game one Summer evening and spending 45 minutes with me working on my batting. I remember how patient he was and the improvement I made. This will always be a fond memory. My heart goes out to Garth, Chris and Judy.

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**Scott Eggleston** - August 07, 2025 at 07:14 PM

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“ Kelly (Archuletta) Hay purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dennis Allen Lienemann.



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Kelly (Archuletta) Hay - August 07, 2025 at 04:25 PM

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“ I only knew Denny as Garth and Chris’s dad—but even from that view, it was clear he was extraordinary. He carried himself with quiet dignity, sharp intellect, and a warmth that made you feel instantly at home. As a kid, I was folded into his family like I belonged—at their table, on their vacations, in their lives. That kind of generosity stays with you. I can only imagine the depth of love he gave as a father, because even as a guest, I felt it. My heart is with Judy, Garth, and Chris as they carry his light forward.

--Kelly (Archuletta) Hay

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Kelly (Archuletta) Hay - August 07, 2025 at 04:11 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Dennis Allen Lienemann.



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August 07, 2025 at 09:13 AM

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“ It was an honor to call Denny a friend for 65 years. We were fraternity brothers and played college baseball together. His personality was full of compassion, humor and he seemed to be a friend to all persons he would encounter. He had many nicknames but the one I liked the best was “Poker Lenny”. He loved playing poker with his friends and also added humor and excitement to the game. I will miss my phone calls to check in on him.

*He was most definitely one of the GOOD guys I have been blessed to know.*

*Larry Callen*

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**Larry Callen** - August 06, 2025 at 10:33 PM