



Dennis Lewis White

September 1, 1944 - February 21, 2025

Dennis Lewis White, 80, of Mooresville, North Carolina, peacefully entered into rest at his residence on February 21, 2025. Born on September 1, 1944, he was the beloved son of the late D.L. White and Patsy Hogan Johnson.

Dennis's life was a testament to dedication and passion, highlighted by his lengthy career of over 39 years with J.C. Penney Company. After retirement, he followed his true calling in the world of automobiles, embracing each day with enthusiasm. A proud Eagle Scout, Dennis dedicated his time as a Deacon of Calvary Baptist Church in Raleigh, NC, sharing his faith and commitment to community service.

Dennis was known for his zest for life; he was an avid golfer, a skilled tennis player, and a passionate water-skier. He embraced the thrill of outdoor adventures, relishing moments spent with family and friends. His love for history shone through in his service on the Mooresville Historical Board, where he worked to preserve the community's heritage. As the head of the United Way Chapter in Harrisonburg, VA, he made significant contributions to countless lives, exemplifying the spirit of giving.

A devoted father, Dennis cherished coaching his sons in baseball through high school, instilling in them the values of teamwork and perseverance. He found joy in simple pleasures—a good cigar, a glass of bourbon, and the music

of Jimmy Buffett, which often provided the soundtrack for unforgettable moments.

In addition to his parents, Dennis was preceded in death by his son, Travis White, and several cherished cousins. He leaves behind his loving wife, Ellen Wilson White, son David White and his wife, Leslie, as well as several sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, who will forever hold his memory close to their hearts.

The family will announce a Celebration of Life in the upcoming weeks to honor Dennis's remarkable journey and the indelible impact he had on the lives of those around him.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home in Mooresville is honored to serve the family of Mr. White. Condolences may be offered at www.cavin-cook.com.

In this time of reflection, may we remember Dennis not just for his achievements, but for the warmth, kindness, and joy he brought to everyone's lives. He will be sorely missed, but his spirit will continue to inspire all who knew him.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall

GS

“ Love, prayers, and my deepest sympathy to Ellen and family. Dennis was truly a southern gentleman, a kind and caring person. Blessed to have been able to keep up with him in recent years on social media. May God be with his loved ones.

Gwen and Xan Smythe - March 22 at 08:38 AM

LC

“ I was so saddened to hear this. Dennis was my friend , neighbor and confidante. I used to enjoy talking antiques with him. What a wonderful man he was.



Lisa Carver - March 16, 2025 at 01:04 AM

DB

“ Ellen, David and family, my heart is so sad to see Dennis had passed. My favorite cousin and just a wonderful man. My prayers will be with you for the days ahead. Love you, Debbie

Deborah Block - March 08, 2025 at 02:12 PM

JG

“ Dennis always had strong feelings about our Political process and candidates. My wife Linda Gresham was always having fun with Dennis on this subject or maybe he back at her. However when Dennis saw her at one of our JCP Alumni Get Togethers he gave her a Trump coin and said you won this time and she laughed. They enjoyed the banter back and forth.
John Gresham

John Gresham - March 03, 2025 at 03:36 PM

BO

“ Ellen , David and family our hearts go out to you. To say we are sorry doesn't seem like enough . He was a wonderful Man , husband, and father. Not to mention a wonderful neighbor. He could answer any antique questions you had . He just loved to cut up and joke. He will be so missed . He loved you all so much . We love you and you are in our thoughts and prayers. Love You , Bruce and Robin

Bruce Oliver Oliver - February 28, 2025 at 06:23 PM

BT

“ Ellen and Family, a life well lived. Dennis made a difference with his community engagement...we all share in your loss and extend deep sympathy.

Bill Thunberg - February 28, 2025 at 04:22 PM

BE

“ I am so sorry to hear this news. Dennis was my neighbor,my friend, my work companion and bridge partner. He will be missed by all that knew him. Prayers for Ellen.

Barbara Erskine - February 28, 2025 at 09:22 AM

PW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and we offer our condolences to all
Phil and Mary Williams

Phil Williams - February 28, 2025 at 09:12 AM

GH

“ Good man; valued JCP Associate.

George Houston - February 28, 2025 at 08:56 AM

CJ

“ *Cindy Jacobs lit a candle in memory of Dennis Lewis White*



Cindy Jacobs - February 28, 2025 at 08:37 AM

CK

“ *Vickie and I were so saddened to learn of our good friend, Dennis's passing. His warm smile and his knowledge for antiques and collectibles of which he shared with us rookies will be greatly missed by all of us who knew and loved him. Prayers for Ellen and David as they are going through this time of loss. God Bless!!*

cotton ketchie - February 28, 2025 at 06:21 AM

EL

“ *I had the pleasure of knowing Dennis White for many years. He was a devoted husband to Ellen, a wonderful father to David & Travis & great uncle to my daughter & my grandson's & a special friend to me.*

Edith Lucas - February 27, 2025 at 07:55 PM

SG

“ *One of the best friends I ever had and one of the finest gentlemen I have ever known. I am going to miss my friend, but he left knowing that I loved him and that he loved me.*

Steve Gambill - February 27, 2025 at 04:58 PM