



## Dennis "Dirty Denny" Robert Simonson

October 18, 1958 - December 2, 2023

Dennis Robert "Dirty Denny" Simonson

1958-2023

Dirty Denny Simonson, 65, of Vancouver, Washington, passed away on December 2, 2023. Born on October 18, 1958, Dennis Robert Simonson, known affectionately as Dirty Denny, was a Compassionate, Loyal, and Honest man with a big heart. Always willing to help others, he was a True friend and a beloved member of his community. Dirty Denny had a deep love for his family and his Motorcycles, and Friends.

He was a leader with the Patriot Guard Riders and found joy in serving his fellow Veterans. Additionally, Dirty Denny was a talented writer and spent many hours each morning at his desk writing Missions.

He is survived by his mother Shar Simonson and his siblings, Terry Simonson and Tamera Simonson. Dirty Denny was preceded in death by his father, Robert "Bear" Simonson, and his brother Michael Simonson. Denny received his education at Vancouver High School and later earned an Associate of the Arts degree in Business.

A proud member of the U.S. Army, Denny's military associations were an important part of his life.

In his free time, Denny indulged in his hobbies, which included riding motorcycle's and actively participating in the Patriot Guard Riders. He had a deep appreciation for all kinds of music, and always had a song in his heart.

A memorial service to Honor Denny will be held on January 14th, 2024 , atllani

Casino/Ballroom1 Cowlitz Wy,Ridgefield, WaHosted by the Cowlitz Indian TribeThe service will start at 1:00 P.M- 3:00 PMRefreshments will be served directly after the service.The funeral arrangements are being handled by Evergreen Memorial Garden's located in Vancouver WA.Military Funeral Honors are being provided by AMVETS Post #16,Woodland WA. Where Denny was an active Member.

Dirty Denny Simonson will be dearly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. His legacy as a compassionate friend, dedicated writer, and proud veteran will live on in the hearts and memories of those he touched.

# Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 05:07 PM

TM

“ We met when I was 17. You have always been a friend. We have walked a thousand miles in the walls. Road a few. First white boy to be invited to the sweat lodge. I am grateful for you being here for me recently after my dad passed. It sucks that you followed so soon. I will miss you my brother, my friend. Love you. See you soon.

Thomas chy McGuire - January 14, 2024 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ In loving Honor, from the Oregon State Patriot Guard Riders

Anonymous - January 07, 2024 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Denny was a friend to the Veteran's Recovery Treatment Program here at the Vancouver VA Medical Center. For years he would show up, week after week, sharing stories and hope to the Veterans that we serve . I have a lot of memories of him sitting across the table from me, talking about his struggles and triumphs. He leaves behind a legacy of hope. I'm really gonna miss his big smile. -Aaron

Aaron Barrow - January 02, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Love you Denny!

Tamera - January 02, 2024 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ My memories of you begin with your birth and the pride and excitement your Dad & I had that Saturday evening. We should have thought twice when we named you Dennis because just about that time the "Dennis the menace" craze began and boy oh boy, did you ever give that little cartoon kid a run for his money. With all your lumps and bumps and skinned knees, and with my pointing out each gray hair you put on my head you never once doubted that your Dad and I loved you with all our hearts.

A parent should NEVER have to bury their child and your passing has totally devastated me. Knowing that you are in heaven with your father and your brother is my one comfort. If you and "Pa" are zipping thru the clouds on your "Heaven-cycles" please be gentle with your brother hanging on behind you because he is just a little baby.

You have left a huge hole in my heart and in my life. I love you very much...and you always knew that.

Love, Ma

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**Shar Simonson** - January 02, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Well, it's the start of a new year and you know what Denny? You're not here, so it's not a very happy one. Today is a month since you've left this earth to meet up with friends and family in heaven.

*December will never be the same, but I'm grateful that we were altogether for Thanksgiving, as well as other days we all just happened to be at moms at the same time. I am sooooo thankful that you and I went out for pizza the day before your accident. We have never gone out just by ourselves. That was truly a God thing, knowing that we needed that time together.*

*You were a great big brother, helping me out with home additions or repairs, fixing my cars, and if needed, scaring people with your gruff looks! You had manners, you were polite, and you were honest (sometimes a little too honest!). You had a great sense of humor, kind of weird at times, but funny just the same. You were kind and compassionate, always lending an ear to those that needed support. You led by example of how to overcome battles in your life. I don't think you realized just how many people you touched. You did good.*

*You were a tried-and-true biker since the day you were born....even before you were born! You weren't just a fair-weather rider, but were out there in the freezing weather, snow, pouring rain, fog, or blazing hot sun so you could always be there for the fallen. Veterans and the PGR became your life and family. They helped keep you on the straight and narrow, and for that I am glad. I now understand your love for your PGR family, as they have been wonderful to us, stepping up to make all the arrangements needed to put you to rest.*

*I hope you and dad watched how many people came out to show their respect during your transfer home. I'm sure dad said, "Damn boy, you had more friends than I did".*

*Life will not be the same without you. I will always miss you. Love from your sister, Tamera*

**Tamera Simonson** - January 02, 2024 at 12:00 AM

YT

“ *Love and miss you Denny*

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**Your brother, Terry** - December 31, 2023 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *The world is a sadder place without you Denny. 2023 wasn't so bad until December 2nd. when our world fell apart. Taken to soon. I will never forget you and your eye rolling sense of humor (Just like dad) What I think what I'll miss the most is the change you made of yourself the last 15 years. Joining PGR, and the friends and family you got from them. It's very obvious how much they all cared for you just by the turn out the day we picked up your ashes.*

*I love you Denny, and every time I think about this, I feel like I just got punched in the gut. I don't know how long the denial stage is, but I'm still in it.*

*Watch over us, say "Hi" to dad for us. We'll meet again someday.*

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**Terry M. Simonson** - December 31, 2023 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Dennis "Dirty Denny" Robert Simonson*

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**Terry Simonson** - December 31, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *Shar, Tamera, and Terry, my heart breaks for you. Thinking of you and Denny every day during this most difficult time.*

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**Annette B** - December 25, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ I didn't get to know Denny as well as the rest of you. I'm just his younger sister's friend. But I've heard the family stories over the decades, and I know he was a good man. Capable, kind, talented.



*This past week we discovered a litter of kittens under our front porch, and the first person I thought of was Denny. For an instant I wondered, "What would Denny do? If I wanted to commission Denny to build me a catio would he be willing?" A second later I remembered he is gone. I liked the world better knowing he was out there cracking jokes, building things, and loving his family and friends.*

*Shar, Tamera, and Terry, I am so sorry for your loss. Denny will be missed by more people than you know.*

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**Annette B** - December 25, 2023 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Miss you.. We've been friends for 35 years and it will never be the same without you.  
Now you can send me the winning lottery numbers! \$\$  
Love you my dear friend. See you again soon

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**Thomas McGuire** - December 23, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Dennis "Dirty Denny" Robert Simonson

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**chuck lashley** - December 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *DENNY SIMONSON*

*MY DEAR FRIEND LOYAL AN GAVE ME HOPE YOUR  
DEDICATION TO OUR FRIENDSHIP THREW MY PRISON STAY  
AN LIFE HAS INSPIRED ME TO BE THE BEST PERSON I CAN  
BE ILL HONOR YOUR MEMORIES WITH MY LIFE IM A BETTER  
PERSON CUZ U WERE IN MY LIFE RIDE FREE MY BROTHER  
MY FRIEND AN MENTOR*

*ALWAYS LOYAL*

*SUMMER LONG*

*THANK U FOREVER*

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**Summer Long** - December 19, 2023 at 12:00 AM

“ My Denny

*Denny and I never had an argument. He never said an unkind word to me or hurt my feelings, even inadvertently. He never talked bad about anybody and I never heard anybody say anything bad about him. He was always honest even if it was painfully honest. Denny was able to look beyond my character flaws and shortcomings and accepted me for who I was. He respected my right to have my own viewpoint and feelings and never tried to change them. He made me feel good about myself when I needed it most and could always cheer me up. He always gave people more chances than they deserved. He was self-deprecating and very humble and most importantly he served our country. Denny was a lover with a kind and gentle soul. Denny liked cats, meow. He never went out of his way to hurt anyone. Denny came from the best family. I absolutely loved his dark sense of humor and he made me laugh often. He had the strangest and best music taste and turned me on to some bands that I still love to this day. Denny and I shared the same taste in movies and watched many, many, together. Denny was extremely talented and could build or fix just about anything. Many people didn't realize just how intelligent he was. He was the most articulate and eloquent of writers, if you were his opponent he crushed you, if you were his friend he made you feel valued and important. I still have all the letters he wrote me and I will cherish them always. Denny was a Republican through and through and always saw the bigger picture.*

*Denny took his hamburger plain w/ just ketchup and liked vanilla shakes.*

*To this day, of all the losses I've experienced, Denny's has been the hardest. My heart goes out to you and your family Shar. It was not only a pleasure, but truly an honor to know this man. One of the most beautiful human beings I've ever known. I will miss his great big hugs and the sound of his voice.*

*Love you Denny.*

**Carla Nielsen** - December 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *This is not goodbye but see you later. This has been very hard to digest. I still hear you calling me your "dizzyblonde" and those great big hugs. So many memories of our missions and the day, you said come on let's take a ride by the lake. It was a beautiful day. And I will cherish that day and so many others that I was able to catch on video from my bike. I love you Denny and miss you so much. Rest easy until I see you again. Your earthly job is complete. Gone but will never be forgotten* ❤️❤️

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**Denise Karr-Rios** - December 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

LV

“ *A true warrior of Life, honoring veterans and their families. You were missed by us all the moment you traveled onward, joining our brother and sister veterans. It is our turn to ensure your service and sacrifices are honored and remembered for all times and eternity. Please watch over each of us that remain here until we can stand with you once again. Until Then My Friend.*

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**Lynn Vaughn** - December 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *I've known the family since 1964. When Denny was around 6 his mom & dad and a few others went for a motorcycle ride around Oahu, Hawaii Denny road behind me on my old TR-6. At one point he hooked his thumbs into my belt loops and fell asleep! Mom was real happy with that. I've kept in touch over these many years and was proud to hear of his work with the PGR. I've been a member since 2005. You will be remembered.*

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**Jim Ray** - December 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Mikey: Michael Christy.*

*DENNY*

*You were one of the kindest humans on this messed up planet of ours.*

*A man worthy of LOVE, HONOR DIGNITY and RESPECT 🙏 You definitely earned it,*

*You were always there for me when I needed you , I wish I could have been there more for you brother.*

*RIP and Ride on in heaven with your pops , Bear.*

*Love you and miss you brother.*

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**Michael Christy** - December 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *My very first Patriot Guard Riders ride was with Dirty Denny and the gang (March 13th, 2023 with Papa Milton RC), meeting at the Chehalis Veterans Museum. It was a very rainy morning and I did not expect to see anyone there. But as I rode up, Denny (and 10 others) was the first to greet me and make me feel welcome. He was fun to be around, warm, personable, kind-hearted and easy going. On my last ride with him--Christmas Card delivery to Morton (Dec 19th), I teased him about his new Road Glide--that we would have to change his road name, because the bike was so clean. He laughed and said, "Give it time."*

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**Joel "Padre" Graves** - December 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

BZ

“ *Rest easy Brother. Until we meet again.*

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**Bill Zehner** - December 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ This House represents The Love Denny and I shared..we always Rode around the lake and has had fairytail dreams of this bein our home someday

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**Connie McAtee** - December 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ Dennis "Dirty Denny" Robert Simonson

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**Anonymous** - December 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ RIP Denny my friend of over 50 years. You'll be missed on this plane. Ride joyously through the cosmos with your pa.

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**Nick Kinler** - December 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ Farewell my brother. Miss you terribly. May your ride through the cosmos, with your pay. be full of joy.

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**Nick Kinler** - December 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ My deepest symphathy , this has been a very hard passing for me. I have so many memories, from the last 40 years. I loved you with all my heart and im so sad you got called home. Your spirit will live on , in my heart forever. Rest in Peace Sweetheart, untill we meet again



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**Connie McAtee** - December 10, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Dennis Robert Simonson - December 07, 2023 at 12:00 AM**