



Dennis Dale Gray

November 7, 1942 - October 28, 2025

Dennis Dale Gray passed away October 28, 2025, surrounded by love.

Dennis was born November 7, 1942, to Floyd and Della (Barker) Gray. He grew up in Eddyville where he was raised by his mother and stepfather Frank Kristof. Dennis graduated from Eddyville High School in 1961. He married Susan Sebben April 30, 1967, in Albia. Dennis served in the US Air Force from 1964 to 1968.

Dennis and Susan moved from Iowa to Florida in 1974. In Florida, Dennis was a Fireman/EMT for the Southwest Regional Airport in Fort Myers. After retiring Dennis and Susan moved to Texas to be near their grandchildren. Dennis loved his role as Poppy. He enjoyed being outdoors hunting and fishing. He also loved working (piddling) in his garage.

Dennis is survived by his wife, Susan Gray of Runaway Bay, Texas; his daughter Toni Gray of California and son Shane (Jeanann) Gray of Texas; his granddaughter Madison Gray and grandson Dalton Gray; siblings Rhonda (Mike) Mitrisin; Mary Kristof (Dennis) Pettyjohn; Patti Kristof DeGross and sister-in-law Cindy Gray. Also surviving are a number of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers Terry and Ronnie

Gray; two nephews Eric Mitrisin and Brent Pettyjohn.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 13, 2026, at the Hiteman Cemetery with Pastor Merle Smith officiating. A procession will form at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia at 1:45 p.m. for those wishing to process to the cemetery. Military rites will be provided by the American Legion of Albia, Lovilia, and Melrose.

Condolences and memories to the family may be left online at www.tharpfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Hiteman Cemetery

Hiteman, IA

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 13. 2:00 PM.

Hiteman Cemetery
Hiteman, IA