



## Dennis Quitschau

March 26, 1955 - December 5, 2024

Dennis R. Quitschau, 69, of Peoria Heights, passed away on Thursday, December 5, 2024. He was born on March 26, 1955, in Chicago, to Wolfgang and Carol (Kohlbach) Quitschau. He married Helen Roedell in 1979, in Peoria, and later married Diane Blake on August 8, 2006, in Sturgis, South Dakota. His time here tragically ended December 5, 2024, when he and his wife, Diane, were called back home together.

Known as husband, father, Opa, friend, bike brother, buffet raider, joke master and German folk singer, Dennis was truly the best and those who knew him will never stop missing him. His presence will be missed always.

He is survived by his children, Angela Quitschau of Chicago, Joseph Quitschau of O'Fallon, MO, Paul Quitschau of Washington, and Peter Quitschau of Peoria; three stepchildren, Victoria Blake of Grand Prairie, TX, Brandon (Courtney) Blake of Morton, Brittany Blake of Arlington, TX; 11 grandchildren, August and Harper, Evelyn and Isaac, Jalen and Joshua, Jacoby, Addison and Landon, Brence and Brooklyn; one brother, Roy Quitshaw of Chicago; and one niece, Theresa Quitshaw of Chicago.

He was preceded in death by both of his parents and one nephew Kurt Quitshaw.

Dennis began working in the autobody field, then later, worked for a printing company. He finished his career by owning his own painting business.

His many hobbies included working around the house with flowers, different plants, and his koi pond. He was a passionate Chicago sports fan, always

cheering on the Bears, Cubs, Bulls and Blackhawks.

Dennis loved watching all his children and grandchildren's sporting events, attending as many as possible. He and Diane enjoyed riding their motorcycles together any chance they could. He had many friends from his time living in Chicago, then later after moving to Peoria.

The Memorial Service for Dennis and Diane, together, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services in East Peoria, with visitation from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service.

The family wishes to thank everyone for loving their parents and sending them love and support during this time of sudden grief.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ride for the Cure or to Susan G. Komen. Online condolences may be left at [www.GaryDeitersFH.com](http://www.GaryDeitersFH.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JAN 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services Inc. - East Peoria  
444 E. Washington Street  
East Peoria, IL 61611

## Memorial Service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

TJ

“ Condolences to Joe and family. Thinking of your Dad brought back memories of your St Bernard school days your Dad and Uncle Terry enjoyed their friendship. Much love to you and family. praying for comfort and peace love you. (Uncle Terry and Mom Denise Kirby-Jackson)

TERRY JACKSON - January 10, 2025 at 10:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dennis Quitschau.

January 10, 2025 at 03:57 PM

MR

“ Love and miss you both ❤️



Michael Rubnich - December 29, 2024 at 10:08 AM

BB

“ Miss you so much Pops/Opa❤️!



Brittany Blake - December 28, 2024 at 03:38 PM

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Angie and paul praying for all of u Flora Branan and family

Flora branan - January 01, 2025 at 02:39 PM

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“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Tori - December 26, 2024 at 06:18 PM

GE

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



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**George** - December 20, 2024 at 12:00 PM