



David Dennis Reid

June 24, 1953 - June 4, 2025

It is with deep sorrow that I share the death of my husband Dave Reid, who passed away on Wednesday, June 4, 2025. Dave was born on June 24, 1953 to the late James F. Reid and Mary Ann (Irby) Reid, who survives. As an only child, Dave described himself as “fiercely independent”. He graduated from Saline High School in 1971 and a year later started to work at Ford Motor Co. in Saline. He retired after 30 years and enjoyed a long retirement.

As a young man, Dave loved learning how things work and fixing things. He loved classic car restoration and at the age of 18 he purchased a 1962 Corvette. Having restored 5 Corvettes, he became known as “Corvette Man” in car show circles. Later in life, Dave enjoyed snowmobiling and motorcycle trips with friends. He traveled throughout the US and Canada. Dave loved spending time at his “Love shack” up north and was an avid morel mushroom hunter. As an early riser, Dave also volunteered his time to grind and brew coffee every day at two local coffee shops—the Drowsy Parrot and Carrigan’s Café. He made many friends through his time at coffee shop gatherings. Dave loved reading Clive Cussler books and anything related to history and the Civil War. He loved animals and was a generous supporter of organizations that rescued and cared for them.

Dave and I (Diane DeNio) met later in life and celebrated 31 wonderful years of marriage. Dave lived a full life-- grateful for family, friends and adventures. He had an amazing spirit. In the past year, Dave had numerous health challenges. He asked me to express his gratitude for the kindness and compassion of the Trinity Health and Arbor Hospice staff who treated him and the area first responders who cared for him in emergency situations. Rest in peace, Dave. You will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

Per Dave’s request there will be no funeral services. Memorial contributions may be made to The Creature Conservancy of Ann Arbor, 4940 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 or the Humane Society of Huron Valley, 3100 Cherry Hill Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48105. To leave a memory you have of Dave or to sign his online guestbook please visit www.rbfhsaline.com

Tribute Wall

TK

“ I knew Dave from many years ago. Sad to hear of his passing. He was a very nice and uplifting man.

Teri (Passow) King - June 13, 2025 at 07:54 AM

JF

“ Very sorry to (finally) open up my inbox to find this news. Condolences to Diand and to the family - I only met Dave in recent years and it was pleasant to sit with Diane and Dave out on the deck, finding some nice links between our respective pasts. Grateful for Diane and Dave to have shared their lives and love together.

Jon W Fouts - June 10, 2025 at 01:24 PM

MB

“ Dave was a force of personality, in the best way. So much of our time together was centered around coffee, but he was kind and caring enough to have me over to his impressive garage to fix my failing taillights. It took some troubleshooting, but we got it done, and it meant so much to me that he cared enough to help me out. That's who Dave was, a helper, and I'm going to miss him. Much love to you, Diane.

Mel Block - June 09, 2025 at 05:55 PM

VM

“ Diane, I am so heartbroken for you. Dave was so much fun to see every day I worked at the Drowsy Parrot! He brought joy and levity and sunshine with a much-appreciated spot of sarcasm to the table, or bench or wherever he sat with his cup of coffee. You could count on seeing him out front of The Parrot and then Carrigan's when it was nice out, and I had come to rely on that. A community doesn't realize how much a person like Dave means to it until he's no longer in his usual place. So many good memories of interactions with Dave. I am sorry he suffered these past few years. Sending love and deepest condolences to you.

Valerie Mann - June 09, 2025 at 08:15 AM

KJ

“ Dave was a solid long-time neighbor and my enduring memory will be of him riding majestically on his zero-turn lawnmower both winter and summer mowing, moving snow, and in summer wearing his blue jumpsuit and white gloves. He always had valuable insight and loved his terrier Lucy. While we didn't interact that often, Dave always had a cogent viewpoint on societal happenings, from local neighborhood goings-on to a larger take on the national scene. I enjoyed seeing him and Diane taking jaunts in his beautiful '63 ('62?) Corvette, top down and always spotlessly clean and sharp looking. He was a excellent neighbor and I will miss him.

Kip Jackson - June 08, 2025 at 09:01 AM

IH

“ Jane and I became friends with Dave and Diane relatively recently as neighbors and shared love our Welsh Terriers.
Dave was a solid, pragmatic and kind person with a sharp sense of humor. He a strong sense of doing the right thing for people.
He will be sorely missed. Rest in peace Dave

Ian Haynes - June 07, 2025 at 04:24 PM

BF

“ So sorry to hear of Dave's passing. We had some really good times over the years, between motorcycle trips, snowmobiling trips and our times together up north. He will be greatly missed. We will treasure our memories. RIP Dave.
Prayers for you Diane & Mary.

Bonnie Fiser - June 07, 2025 at 03:50 PM

DE

“ David was a good friend to me and my son Brett. He always treated Brett very well. David was a reliable, solid person and will be missed. He left this world way too soon. Thank you for your friendship

Darlene c engel - June 07, 2025 at 09:41 AM

DD

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Diane DeNio - June 07, 2025 at 09:20 AM

MA

“ Diane, I'm so sorry to hear that Dave passed away. Dave was a fabulous neighbor, always in a great mood, always with an interesting perspective and someone who was interesting to talk to. Dave kept a watchful eye on our property and we always appreciated that. I'm glad that he didn't have to suffer long, but I know you and many others will miss Dave. Rest in peace, Dave. You were a very good man!

Marv

Marv Adams - June 07, 2025 at 06:38 AM

CT

“ I haven't seen Dave in years life just goes on and we seem to just live in our daily circles. I'll always have memories from the younger years and fun we had swimming in the family pool and him working on my cars. When my Father passed Dave & his 1st wife purchased our home from my Mom, Corine. He even inherited our dog Duke because we were moving where we couldn't take him. He loved that dog until Duke passed. Dave & my Brother Mike raised some heck around Saline as teenagers and I'm sure they'll now have some fun in Heaven as Mike passed years ago. Many family members were there waiting with open arms. Rest well Dave. You lil Cousin. Colby

Colby Taylor-Reed - June 06, 2025 at 04:32 PM

JH

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Jane Haynes - June 06, 2025 at 03:11 PM

JH

Happy memories - Dave, Lucy, Ian and Biggles.

Jane Haynes - June 06, 2025 at 03:13 PM

DB

Dave was the first guy I met in saline in 5 grade. We became friends all Tru are years at school after high shcool we drifted apart for awhile dave went to work at ford's I did my thing in the military after I came home we talk once in while it be about cars and old times running around saline when we were young dave was like brother to me as was his father was dad to me ill miss you guys

David Bell - June 06, 2025 at 10:39 PM

DM

It is so sad to hear that David passed away. I was the secretary for R & B Machine Tool Company, Saline, Michigan where your father-in-law worked. I knew Jim & Mary for many years and remember your husband when he was a little boy. Please accept my deepest condolences. Keeping you and your family and friends in my thoughts and prayers. '

Sincerely, Doris (Lindemann) Miller

Doris Miller - June 07, 2025 at 07:36 AM

DA

“*Dave had a very special, quiet presence within our neighborhood. My husband and I live two doors down from Dave and Diane. I always smiled when I would hear the quiet rumbling of his motorcycle coming home every early morning, knowing that he had been down helping out at the Drowsy Parrot and then Carrigan's Café. I also would enjoy seeing Dave and Diane roll out in their convertible for a ride, usually later in the evening. He also could be found sitting in the front part of his awesome shop, with his sweet pup by his side, watching the world go by. We will miss you, Dave. Diane, you are in our prayers always for peace and joy as you reflect back on the beautiful years you and Dave shared.*

diane amerman - June 06, 2025 at 12:29 PM