



## Craig D. Dilloway

July 29, 1959 - September 3, 2018

Craig D. Dilloway, 59, of Traverse City passed away peacefully on Monday, September 3, 2018 at Munson Medical Center. He was surrounded by his family. Craig was born on July 29, 1959 to the late Bernard and Barbara (Eilert) Dilloway in Howell, Michigan. He married the love of his life, Louise Garno, September 16, 2000. Louise preceded him in death October 18, 2011.

After graduating from St. Francis High School in 1977, Craig went on to proudly serve his country in the U.S. Coast Guard for over 20 years. During the course of his career he was stationed in California, Michigan, Hawaii, Washington, Puerto Rico, and Missouri. Upon Craig's retirement, he was a substitute teacher for GTACS. Craig joined the Grand Traverse Sheriff Department as a Corrections Officer until his retirement in 2017.

Craig was a member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church and an avid supporter of Gladiator athletics. Craig loved all sports; he was a huge Notre Dame Football fan. Craig's garage, the "Club House", is a tribute to his love of sports.

With Craig's big heart and warm personality, Craig made lasting friendships wherever he went. One of his favorite ways to stay connected with his many friends was through his Christmas card and annual letter. He will truly be missed by those who knew him.

Craig is survived by his siblings, Mary Anne Dilloway of San Diego, CA, Thomas (Polly) Dilloway of Traverse City, MI and Margaret (Dan) Birdsey of Preston, WA. Also surviving are nieces and nephews; Lindsay (Philip) Sheridan, Brynn (Philip) Guster, Shane (Nichole) Dilloway, William Birdsey, Abby Alpers and Hunter Alpers as well as six great-nieces and nephews.

Friends are welcome to visit with Craig's family from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 7, 2018, with a 7:00 p.m. rosary, at the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home, 305 Sixth St., Traverse City, MI 49684.

Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 8, 2018, with visitation starting at 9:00 a.m., at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 1025 S. Union St., Traverse City, MI, 49684. Rev. Fr. Benjamin Rexroat will officiate.

Craig will be attended by the Grand Traverse Sheriff Color Guard.

Military Honors will be conducted under the auspices of the U.S. Coast Guard, Cherryland V.F.W. Post 2780 and American Legion Post 35.

In lieu, those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider a memorial donation to GTACS – Craig D. Dilloway Scholarship Fund.

Please feel free to share your thoughts and memories with Craig's family at his tribute page at <http://www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com>.

The family is being cared for by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Events

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**SEP 7 Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM  
Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home  
305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

**SEP 7 Rosary** 07:00PM  
Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home  
305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

**SEP 8 Visitation** 09:00AM  
St. Francis Catholic Church  
1025 S. Union, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

**SEP 8 Mass of Christian Burial** 10:00AM  
St. Francis Catholic Church  
1025 S. Union, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

# Comments

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“ What struck me most positively having known Craig for too short time a was his engaging smile and joviality. Craig genuinely projected an interest in whatever anyone had going on in their lives. Glad to have known Craig, a positive caring influence in my life. Thank you again, Craig.

Austin Garno

**austin garno** - September 07, 2018 at 05:49 AM

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“ Craig opened his house without batting an eye when Linda moved to TC in 2016. Movers were a week behind so we needed a place for 2 adults, a dog and cat. Not a problem. Riley would jump on the couch and Craig would just pet him. Craig was happy to help anyone however he could. He will be missed. Walt & Linda (Knee) Tendler

**Walter Tendler** - September 05, 2018 at 11:44 PM

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“ I didn't know Craig well although I was a yr. behind him in school. He graduated with my brother Paul and my best friend Rita Dennehy who was my neighbor. Craig as I remember was a very kind man and would do anything to help his fellow classmate or underclassmen out in whatever they needed. He will be missed by his class of SFHS class of 1977. He is at peace now loving being with his love of his life Louise. RIP Craig. <3

Eileen T. Hubbell Olson

**Eileen** - September 05, 2018 at 05:33 PM

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“ Mary Anne, Margaret, and Tom. So sorry to hear about your brother Craig. Blessings to your family during this difficult time. Noralee Garey

**Noralee Garey** - September 05, 2018 at 11:27 AM

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“ I met Craig way back in the early 80's when we were both in the Coast Guard stationed at the Traverse City Air Station. He was a great help to me in my time of need and I was very much appreciative of it. He always came through in all he attempted. Craig was a great man and he will be missed very much by many. Rest in peace buddy. May the family be comforted knowing he is in a much better place and he is free of all that ailed him.

**Bob Kallatsa** - September 04, 2018 at 10:05 PM

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“ Craig was my high school prom date. He has always been so fun and had such a great heart. Last winter, when my husband broke his leg, Craig called me offering to come over and shovel snow or anything I needed. He will be much missed.

**Kathryn Phillips** - September 04, 2018 at 02:56 PM

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“ My brother-n-law Craig was a great man. He touched many people's hearts. He will hold a special place in my heart, may he rest in peace.



**Edwina Clark** - September 04, 2018 at 09:00 AM

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“ Jennifer lit a candle in memory of Craig D. Dilloway



**jennifer** - September 03, 2018 at 10:14 PM

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“ We were blessed to know Craig for 30 years through the Coast Guard. He was loving, kind, giving and was a great role model for both of our children. He will be missed. GOD BLESS...Zana and Mark Hoffman

**Elzana Hoffman** - September 03, 2018 at 04:52 PM



“ To say that I am devastated would be an understatement. I was ticketed to fly to Traverse City on the 12th of September to spend 10 days with Craig. We were going to a Notre Dame game. Craig and I were stationed together in Hawaii from 1987 to 1989. At lunch, we would go to gym and lift weights and then go on 2 mile run into Sand Island park. I trusted Craig with everything, he NEVER let me down. Both my children, Jason and Amber absolutely loved him, how could you not? My son Jason is in the Air Force, landed in Traverse City a month ago and Craig picked him up, took him to a restaurant, made sure he was full and had "several" beers and drove him back to airport. He was my brother. I must keep thinking God needed another angel, HE got the Best!

**Mark Hoffman** - September 06, 2018 at 07:58 PM