



## Dennis Norris

April 2, 1946 - December 21, 2019

Nobles Funeral Home and Crematory announces the funeral services for Mr. Dennis James Norris, US Navy Retired, age 73, who passed away Saturday, December 21, 2019 at his residence. He was a native of Richmond, VA living the past 35 years in Appling County. Mr. Norris was a member of the United States Navy retiring after 22 years and a Vietnam War Veteran. He was an active member of the American Legion Post 26, the Jesup VFW 4583 serving as District Commander for many years and he was instrumental in the return of the Veterans Parade in Appling County after an absence of over 30 years.

Mr. Norris was preceded in death by his wife, Kathleen Butler Norris, parents and brother, Roger Norris.

Survivors include his son, James Norris and wife Andrea of Powder Springs; a grandson, Cooper Turner of Powder Springs; a brother, John Wayne Norris of Richmond, VA; a brother in-law and sister in-law, Doug and Rea Davis of Baxley and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, December 26, 2019 at 10am at the Georgia Veterans Cemetery in Glennville with the Reverend Rick Brown officiating.

Interment will follow with United States Navy Honors.

Friends and family may sign the online guest book at [noblesfh.com](http://noblesfh.com).

Nobles Funeral Home and Crematory is honored to serve the family of Mr. Dennis James Norris.

# Tribute Wall

BF

“ Hello I was a 2nd Class Petty Officer aboard USS Mahan and BTCS Norris was The only fair person that I ever encountered in all my days aboard any USN vessel. I was very sorry to hear of his passing before I could get a chance to let him know that. I don't know what his politics were but he was always accessible and all Navy. A great man and leader.

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**Brian Flood** - November 23, 2021 at 01:01 AM

MB

“ Jimmy Joe,I am sorry to hear about your dad's passing. Just want you to know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.Merry Burkett

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**Merry Burkett** - January 11, 2020 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ Emmett Johnson lit a candle for



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**Emmett Johnson** - December 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dennis and I spent many hours reminiscing about our careers in the US Navy. I could write a book about his accomplishments and his contributions to the World. I will instead describe his Navy adventure; Dennis retired as a Master Chief Petty Officer from the US Navy. Only the top 1 percent of CPOS are promoted to this level. I can say he was one of the few who excelled at both leadership and Marine Engineering. He was a combat veteran of the Vietnam war and served both in country and off shore on Naval Ships. He will be missed by all who knew him. RIP Dennis, the storms are over and the sunlight is breaking through.

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**Senior Chief Petty Officer Fred Crosby USN (ret)** - December 24, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Dennis, I worked with him at Plant Hatch. I recently had a long conversation with him at the American Legion Building. I enjoyed listening to his work history.  
Jerald and Ileene Eunice

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**Jerald W Eunice** - December 24, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ BTCS Norris was the first CPO I served under as a raw fireman in USS Mahan DDG-42 in 1981. Much of the rest of my life and career was shaped by what he taught and inspired in a very short time. To me he WAS the navy. The world is a lesser place without him in it, his kind will not be seen again. Fair winds and following seas shipmate.

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**Scott Taylor** - December 23, 2019 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Jimmy Joe, so sorry that both of your parents are now gone. Thinking of and praying for you and your family.

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**Vicki Beck** - December 23, 2019 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ I met Dennis while working at Baxley Federal and he was such a nice person to do business with. A real, true American.

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**Hollis Crummey** - December 23, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Buddha, you were a tremendous shipmate and a tremendous leader of young men. It was an honor to be in the same Chief's mess with you (USS Mahan DDG-42). I learned much from you, and I had a lot, I say a lot, of fun with you on liberty!! You'll be missed my friend. Fair winds and following seas Dennis, I'll drink to the foam tonight in your honor.

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**Saltwater** - December 23, 2019 at 12:00 AM