



Mr Dennis Gum

April 28, 1935 - July 16, 2023

Mr. Dennis Gum passed away peacefully on Sunday, 16th July 2023.

Beloved Husband of Clara Gum,

Adored Father of Douglas Gum,

Aged 88 Years. Dennis will be sorely missed by everyone who has met him.

If friends and relatives would like to send their condolences through floral arrangements, please contact Galaxy Funerals to organise.

Deadline: 12 pm, Sunday, 23/7/2023

Email: info@galaxyfunerals.com.au

Telephone: 1300 688 228

*Your appropriate dressing in Black and respectful is appreciated

If you are not able to attend the service in person, please visit the link below for the live-stream. The live-stream will be available 5mins prior to the service:
<https://protect-au.mimecast.com/s/r5a1C2xMR4TRyAZEUBzIVk?domain=view.oneroomstreaming.com>

Cemetery Details

All Souls Chapel, Rookwood General Cemetery

1 Hawthorne Ave, Rookwood NSW 2141
All Souls Chapel, Rookwood General
Cemetery

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 25. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (AEST)

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Burial Service

JUL 25. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (AEST)

Rookwood General Cemetery, Chinese Zone H, Granite Lawn 4, Lot 528 - 529
Whelan Avenue, Rookwood

Burial Site: Chinese Zone H, Granite Lawn 4, Lot 528 - 529

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Dennis Gum and Family*



Douglas Gum - July 27, 2023 at 05:06 AM

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“ For Den

Thank you for being such a good brother to us all. For being such a good provider of food for us when needed, also for being you!

All your nieces and nephews were sad to hear of your illness and wish you a speedy recovery.

When you go, be content, you'll have had a good innings and remember you as a good brother and helpmate.

When you go, you will be able to meet up with mum and dad, various relatives, friends and others from your lifetime.

May the Gods be kind to you and grant you a peaceful journey.

Love from Jackie

DEN WE WILL MISS YOU – until we meet again, bless you, forever,

My big brother Den.

Part 2 - End - from Jackie Lowe

Jackie Lowe - July 24, 2023 at 07:53 PM

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“ Dennis Gum 28th April 1935

My big brother Dennis

** Son of Donald and Evelyn Gum*

** 6 Children – Dennis, Jacqueline, Virginia, Sylvia, Yvonne and Brian.*

** Mum and dad were married, lived in Thursday Island (T.I) until war when warned we should move south to Sydney.*

** Special friends in T.I were Chee Quee Family.*

** Dad was a baker, had a shop and now still remembered as “The Baker”. Mum had Den and I at T.I.*

** When dad visited T.I some of the older citizens remembered mum and dad.*

** In Sydney, we lived with his brother and family at Hurstville.*

** Later we moved to Ultimo – little old suburb in Sydney.*

** A poor area – where we purchased a little shop in Quarry Street – sold fruit and veggies, some groceries and later ice cream, etc.*

** Our locals were well known to the police. BUT the locals told mum and dad, they did their activities elsewhere!*

** We were never robbed or hurt by the locals.*

** Some of the favourite customers received hot cross buns at Easter from dad.*

** In later years we completed our schooling at Ultimo Public School.*

** Dennis managed to enrol at Ford Street High School.*

** Jack enrolled at Riverside Homeside High with “dux at years 2 and 3; Virginia elected as Vice Captain and Sylvia a Senior Prefect.*

** Brian at Primary School wanted to repeat 6th form, so he could play more football! Mother refused his request!!*

**In our later years, Den worked for the PMG (Post Master General).*

** We were a poor family but we were well fed and dressed (mum made all our clothing).*

** We did not own a car. Transport was by a ute (with us all cramped in the tray, or at the back of the truck which normally carried veggies and produce to the market). We thought we were so lucky to have transport!*

** With a request from Den to his boss, he asked to be given extra work. When asked why? He told of his request to purchase a car.*

** His new car was a two toned blue holden. Imagine our joy with the new car, later followed by embarrassment when it stopped in Rozelle traffic!*

** Later Den progressed to Commonwealth Primary Industry, which included Primary Products, etc.*

** After some of these trips, he brought home some joints of meat (hunks of meat) or dried fruit, honey, etc.*

** Later the government introduced compulsory training for 18 year old youths. ‘Den was allotted signal’ (training).*

** After a short period the kitchen needed more cooks, so he was rostered in the kitchen.*

** When he had leave, he asked dad for some lessons in cookery!*

** The result was beautiful roasts, stews, etc - Our gain!*

** Den and I worked in the shop.*

** We all had various chores which we divided amongst ourselves – no fights!*

** Den had veggies, Jack had fruit, Ginge had milk and fridge, sweets and miscellaneous by the others.*

** On Friday evening we cleaned from the shop to laundry, with polishing floors on Saturday morning. (The building was all one strip which contained a shop and then our home).*

** Our home was an old house, which we modernised – lounge, bedrooms, kitchen, laundry and bathroom.*

** When it rained I had to wear a raincoat to wash the dishes. Sylvia had to light the copper each evening for our baths.*

** In our later life we found careers in teaching, industry and government, etc.*

** We found Fern Street, Randwick and it became a comfortable dwelling for most of us.*

** NB. One of our other chores was at dinner time, we had to take turns in serving our customers.*

** I can remember doing my fifth year essays on the fridge top – I still passed!*

** Life is now comfortable for us all.*

** We have our own homes in various states.*

** Luckily we are still friends, celebrate special days together and are ok.*

Part 1- From Jackie Lowe

Jackie Lowe - July 24, 2023 at 07:52 PM