

Craig Bryan Van Otten "Sparky"

March 25, 1950 ~ November 13, 2025

We enjoyed years of lunches at Midvale Mining restaurant. We were regulars along with others.

- Karen Hammer

Kristine, Lyle and I were so sad to hear of Craig's passing. Craig and Lyle were friends for a long time. I am so glad I was able to meet you both and enjoy your company. --Sending caring thoughts and healing prayers your way to you and the family during this trying time. Lyle and Christine

- Lyle and Christine Phelps

I’ve waited on Craig for many years I will miss him dearly such a good man kind friendly and I feel lucky to have known him Rest In Peace

- Cary Dotson

The Retiree Affairs Office Staff at Hill AFB would like to express our deepest sympathy to you. May you find comfort in your grief and the courage to face the days ahead. If you need help locating military or veterans offices to initiate or finalize benefits, please contact us at 801-777-5735, Monday to Friday, 10:00-2:00 pm. We are available to refer and assist you, HillRAO@gmail.com

- Retiree Affairs Office Staff Hill Air Force Base

Kelly and Jen, I’m so sorry for your loss. Mont and I are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers. “Sparky” sounds like such a great man and brother, and I hope the memories you shared bring you comfort in the days ahead. Please know we’re here for you. LYL

- Steph Roosendaal

The staff here at Midvale Mining Cafe would like to offer our sincere condolences to Craig’s family and close friends as we know he will be dearly missed by a great many. Craig has been a loyal customer for many years and it was always a pleasure to share his company. He had such a gentle and friendly spirit and was so kind and caring to all he encountered. Customers and staff alike have enjoyed many long conversations with him and shared a lot of laughter. He has left a hole in our daily routine and our little family here at the cafe. Travel safely Craig and thank you for the time we had with you.

- leanne barnhurst