



William Hendricks "Skip" Dangers

April 11, 1948 - January 15, 2025

William Hendricks "Skip" Dangers, age 76 of Ozark, Arkansas passed away, Wednesday, January 15, 2025 in Ozark. He was born April 11, 1948 in Fort Smith, Arkansas to Thomas Carter Danger and Patricia Alice Greer Dangers. Skip grew up in Ozark and attended Ozark Elementary, Junior High, and High School, where he was President of his freshman class, a member of the Ozark Hillbilly football team, and the Ozark High School Band.

Skip was active in Boy Scouts, achieved the rank of Eagle, and was a member of the Order of Arrow. After graduating from Ozark High School in 1966, he attended Hendrix College and graduated from the University of Arkansas in 1970 with a degree in Banking and Economics. He then joined the US Peace Corps and was sent to the Philippines to work with the Philippine Department of Social Welfare as an economist. After his Peace Corp service, he worked in Washington D.C. for Common Cause, The Architect of the Capitol, and Congressman Charlie Wilson of Texas before going to Vietnam. When Skip went to Vietnam, he was employed by the US National Council of Churches/Church World Service as an accounting supervisor in their Saigon Office.

Skip married Bui Thi Xuyen in Vietnam before their evacuation from Saigon in April 1975. He and his wife then moved to Papua New Guinea as a volunteer with The International Volunteer Services (IVS) where he worked for the

Papua New Guinea Department of Commerce as a Development Officer and where their daughter, Diem Thi Bui Dangers, was born. For the 35 years following, Skip and his family lived and worked in seven countries, including Vietnam, and travel to Bangladesh, Srilanka, Indonesia, Myanma, Afghanistan, India, Pakistan, and Laos, in development emergency, refugee work, humanitarian and development work.

Skip retired in 2014 and moved with his wife back to Ozark where he enjoyed his forest property on Gar Creek on the outskirts of Ozark.

Skip is preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Carter Dangers and Patricia Alice Greer Dangers; one sister, Sally Dangers Scott; and one cousin, Sarah Sharp.

Skip is survived by his wife of 49 years, Xuyen Thi Dangers of Ozark; one daughter, Diem Thi Bui Dangers and her husband Ben Moynihan of Arlington, Massachusetts; one grandson, Hien Eli Moynihan of Arlington, Massachusetts; cousins, Jimmy Greer, John Greer, David Farris, Maurice "Sonny" Greer Smith; and Greer Farris and their children.

Memorial services will be 10:00 A.M., Saturday, February 1, 2025 at the First Christian Church North 5th Street in Ozark, Arkansas, with Reverend Shelly Wilson and Deacon Brian Lachowsky officiating. Cremation arrangements were made under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home of Ozark.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church
North 5th Street
Ozark, AR 72949

Tribute Wall

WP

“ I served in the Peace Corps with Skip. He was a great fellow. RIP, Skip.

William Powell - July 29, 2025 at 04:22 PM

MY

“ I have only just seen the Facebook page to say that Skip died in January. I am so sorry Xuyen and send my deepest condolences. Remember meeting Skip at your home in Vientiane, always a kind, gentle and friendly man. All best wishes to your family.

maureen yeats - April 01, 2025 at 02:46 AM

AA

I heard skip died when I was searching xuyen online. We met in laos at the house then again at the casino office. Genuinely nice guy, we'll spoken, I was glad I got the new guest tour to laos and was introduced to south east Asia, it changed my life from the streets of America and hills of Maine, saved me

Arro Agronick - April 09 at 04:53 PM

JC

“ Skip and I go back to 1968 when we became acquainted at the University of Arkansas. As the years rolled on, he kept me informed of his assignments (and adventures). Skip was so gracious to accommodate me at his home in Bangkok and Vientiane during my own travels. I was so pleased that he attended my wedding in Bangkok in 1989. He was a truly kind gentleman and he will remain in my memory as one of my greatest friends.

I apologize to Xuyen and Diem for this delayed tribute; however, I just received the notification last night.

James Cason (Noi and Jinda)

James Cason - February 13, 2025 at 02:54 PM



“ Rest in Peace Chu Skip. Great Eulogy Diem. I really got to know your father better from your growing years with him. I wish I was with you in that Jeep as he sped through the jungle of Laos, sounds fun!



Hieu Bui - February 02, 2025 at 03:56 AM

HB

“ *Rest in Peace Chu Skip. Very touching Eulogy Diem. I got to really know your father through your personal experience with him. I wish I was in the Jeep with you through the jungle of Laos, sounds lots of fun.*



Hieu Bui - February 02, 2025 at 03:46 AM

BV

“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Service*



Byron Lasater V - February 02, 2025 at 12:03 AM

CH

“ *Skip and I shared the Peace Corps experience in the early 1970's. We kept in touch until he went to Vietnam. Our common friend Joe Viesti has provided a long connection... I remember Skip as kind and happy. I will remember him with fondness and joy.*

Clark P Howland - January 31, 2025 at 01:34 PM

CP

“ Clark P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Hendricks "Skip" Dangers.

Clark P. - January 31, 2025 at 10:54 AM

EC

“ Edwin C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Hendricks "Skip" Dangers.

Edwin C. - January 31, 2025 at 09:16 AM

EC

“ Meredith and I are so sorry to learn of Skip's passing. We have known him and Xuyen for more than 50 years! He and I met in Washington, shortly after he'd returned from the Peace Corps in the Philippines. Along with two of his other Peace Corps/Philippines veterans, we formed a close-knit social club even as we each worked hard, separately, to get established in D.C. (This began shortly after I played a minor role in the spring of 1975 to help Skip & Xuyen evacuate from South Vietnam). Over the decades, it was truly inspiring to follow Skip and Xuyen and their many worldly adventures as they worked to help the less fortunate. What a terrific life Skip led - - a legacy we know Xuyen, and Diem, will carry on. Ed & Meredith Chen.

Edwin Chen - January 31, 2025 at 09:08 AM



“ *Prayers for the family and friends!!!!*



Buzy Bee Flowers And Gifts - January 29, 2025 at 02:27 PM

“ NHỚ THƯƠNG CÔ CHÚ

Đêm qua em mơ về cô

Dáng cô gầy tóc đã bạc phơ

Lòng đau quặn khi nghe tin

Chú Skip đã rời xa thế gian này

Còn đâu người bầu người bạn

Còn đâu cảnh chú nói cười bên cô

ở xứ người lạnh lẽo cô ơi

ở xứ đất mẹ người người nhớ mong

bạn bè 5 châu cầu nguyện

chú hãy yên nghỉ, cô gìn giữ sức khỏe

thương cô chẳng biết làm gì

chỉ viết được ít thơ dòng hỏi thăm cô

Bao năm cô vất vả chăm sóc chú

Cô gác đi những thú vui tình nguyện

Một đời cống hiến nhân gian

Một đời trọn nghĩa vợ chồng sắc son

Cô ơi tối qua con nghe tin chú mất con thương chú 9, nhưng thương cô 10, ở VN là con tìm mọi cách con đến cùng cô, nhưng ở xa thế này con thầm cầu nguyện cho chú yên nghỉ và mong cô mạnh mẽ giữ gìn sk

Dung Le - January 25, 2025 at 07:55 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of William Hendricks "Skip" Dangers.*



January 25, 2025 at 05:32 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William Hendricks "Skip" Dangers.

January 25, 2025 at 05:32 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of getting to know Skip and Xuyen for a few years now. He was the "official photographer" for us when we got to make projects with the kids. He was very welcoming to house visitors and a kind man. I got to visit their forest once, and it seemed to bring him great peace. Prayers to Xuyen, his family and friends. Into the arms of our loving Savior, Jesus Christ. Love Becky*



Becky Hutchison - January 22, 2025 at 11:16 AM

CA

“ Skipper was a great friend and fellow Boy Scout!! So sorry to see he has passed on. My condolences to his family!!! Praying for you!!!

Chris Anderson - January 20, 2025 at 02:29 PM

NB

“ Dear Uncle Skip,

We fondly remember your last visit to Australia in December 2019 with Cô Xuyên. For many of us, it was our first time meeting you, and we immediately fell in love with your gentle spirit and kind curiosity. You took the time to learn about us through our conversations, and we felt truly blessed to have had that opportunity.

You brought so much joy into our lives during your visit, and we will always treasure those special memories.

Until we meet again ...

*May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
And the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

With love and fond remembrance,

Anh Chi Hien & family in Australia

Nhung Bui - January 20, 2025 at 12:55 AM

PD

A tribute to a dear friend, a caring counselor and a calm force in a time of uncertainty. Moreover, Skip cared about others. I first got to know Skip in Vietnam in 1974. This friendship blossomed through correspondence and infrequent meetings. I will miss his gentleness and compassion.

Peter G. Downs - January 30, 2025 at 03:21 AM

NB

“ *Nhung Bui lit a candle in memory of William Dangers*



Nhung Bui - January 20, 2025 at 12:40 AM

SS

“ *Skip is a very dear friend for more than 30 years. He is deeply engaged in his work with improving the lives of the people in less developed countries all over the world, and especially in Southeast Asia where he has spent the greater part of his working life. I will always miss him, especially his warm personality and gentle kindness. Skip, rest in peace. We will always keep you in our hearts and minds. Sending deepest condolences to the family, especially to Xuyen and Diem and the family.*

Shui Meng and Sombath - January 18, 2025 at 10:16 PM

GA

“ *Skipper was always pretty quiet but never had a bad word to say about anyone. He will be truly missed. Will be praying for family!*

Gary Acord - January 17, 2025 at 06:11 PM