



Danny Allen Miller

September 11, 1955 - February 28, 2019

The earth lost an Angel and Heaven gained one when Danny Allen Miller went to be with the Lord on Thursday, February 28, 2019. He was born on September 11, 1955 in Louisville, IL, the son of Robert and Lucille (Smith) Miller, and just 12 minutes from his cousin Lynn Patton. Nobody living remembers who was born first, and the two grew up like twins.

Following his graduation from high school, Danny joined the United States Air Force near the end of the Vietnam Conflict. Due to the conflict ending, the Air Force asked for volunteers to discharge early, which Danny accepted. Having never served overseas or for the length of his enlistment, he was never eligible for veteran status even though he had made the decision to serve his country.

Danny worked several years for Stokely, USA in Scottville and Hart, first as a seasonal employee before moving to full-time status in 1988 until the company closed in 2001. He met Connie Fenner while working together at Stokely's and they married on June 11, 1988 at St. Mary's Church in Custer. After Stokely's closed, Danny worked in ice cream manufacturing where he met several fellow truck drivers who he remained friends with till the end, including Jack Freeman, Barry Dunklow, and Mike Brandt, all of whom he thought the world of and was honored to call his friends. Danny medically retired early due to heart issues.

Danny was preceded in death by his parents, and his older brother David Johnson. He will be greatly missed by the love of his life Connie of Fountain; his sisters Elsie "Teet" (Leonard) Goff of Carter, IL, Faye Fancher of Xenia, IL, Sherry (Harmon) Lee of Edgewood, IL, and Marlene (Ken) Etchison of Rice Lake, WI; his older brother LeRoy Fortier of Manistee; his father & mother-in-law Jerry & Kathy Fenner of Fountain; his brother & sisters-in-law's Mary & Gerry Lee of Chesapeake, VA, Jerome & Liz Fenner of Fountain, Susan & Scott Kuhn of Albion, IN, William & Doreen Fenner of Fountain, Tamatha & Richard LeClair of Scottville, Elizabeth Fenner & Tom Hibbard of Muskegon; along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was also very proud of his Godsons Ricky LeClair of Scottville, and Brandon (Beth) LeClair of Walhalla. He will also be missed by his fur babies Kermie, Buddy, and Baby.

A Celebration of Danny's life will be held at 11:00 am on Friday, March 8 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Custer with Rev. Dan DePew officiating. Friends may meet with Connie and their family on Friday morning from 10:00 am until time of services, and a luncheon will be held immediately following the service in the Parish Center. Those who wish to remember Danny with a donation are asked to contribute to Connie to assist with medical and funeral expenses.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
85 South Madison Street
Custer, MI 49405

Celebration of Life Service

MAR 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MA

“ Thinking of you in this difficult time, sorry to hear of your loss.
Marxann

Marxann - March 08, 2019 at 09:57 AM

LP

“ I am a loss for words...Dan and I grew up together. My childhood was centered around family...Uncles, Aunts, and cousins - of the Smith family. I was lucky, Dan was always bigger than me and kept me out of trouble...life was simple...When it wasn't we would read comic books and as life happens we moved apart. I called him when I could, but not as often as I should have. I was there when Connie & Dan were married. He found the love of his life. I don't know which of us had that 12 minutes, but I wish I had it back. Rest in peace my friend my brother. We will meet again. Lynn

Lynn Patton - March 07, 2019 at 08:27 PM

TL

“ Dan & Connie dedicated their lives to helping others. Even though he was not a religious man, he was one of the most Godly men I have ever known. He was a special person & he is greatly missed by all of those who knew him. He touched many lives with his selfless heart. He was my sister's soul mate & their life together was an amazing love story.

Tamatha LeClair - March 06, 2019 at 08:47 AM

RM

“ So very sorry Connie for your loss of Dan. Wish I could be there Friday but we are out of town. Sending prayers to you for comfort.
Rise'

Rise' McIntosh - March 05, 2019 at 08:59 PM

CC

“ *I am so sorry for your loss, Connie.*

Cherie (Smith) Coleman - March 04, 2019 at 08:38 PM

FF

“ *Dan was one of the most intelligent people I've ever known. He had a huge heart, a quick wit and devine sense of humor. He loved life and cherished friends and family. I am so blessed that he was my big brother and I will miss him dearly. RIP Brother.*

Faye Fancher - March 04, 2019 at 08:37 AM

HW

Connie I am so very sorry to hear this...thoughts and prayers and hugs to you all....Heidi

Heidi Wiseman - March 05, 2019 at 11:15 PM

DM

Danny was my cousin, his mother and mine were sisters. Danny was born at my house, in Louisville, with my mother and grandmother as midwives. My brothers and I were charged with taking care of Danny's older brother David for the day. We basically just got lost for the day. I remember Danny as a gentle soul and I'm so sorry for your loss.

Norm Moore

David N Moore - March 07, 2019 at 09:19 AM