



Daniel Lee Ford

July 8, 1945 - October 14, 2017

Daniel Lee Ford (MSGT, Retired USAF), beloved husband of the late Linda “Diane” Mooney Ford, passed away at the age of 72 on October 14, 2017.

He is also predeceased by his parents, Francis E. Ford (MSGT, Retired USAF) and Ina Dale Gamage Ford; his first wife, Marilyn Ann Maxwell Ford; and his brother, Wayne Ford.

Dan was born on July 8, 1945, in Plattsburg, NY. Due to his father being in the United States Air Force, Dan was able to travel around the world before his dad retired from the USAF in Bossier City, LA. Dan played center for the Bossier High School football team where he excelled, and it remained his passion throughout his lifetime. After graduating High School in 1963, he joined the USAF as a Communications Specialist and went on to be an Intelligence Mission Supervisor. He married his loving and devoted wife, Diane, on February 7, 1970 and spent so many wonderful years together until her passing in 2002.

Dan proudly served his country with honor for more than 20 years. During those years, Dan, Diane, and children were able to travel the world and to have experiences that lasted a lifetime. Some of the best memories come from the times spent in Crete and San Vito. Those experiences were never forgotten and friendships were forged that lasted a lifetime. His happiest times

were the ones he spent with family and friends. He also enjoyed camping, fishing, and barbecuing. After retiring from the Air Force, Dan and Diane settled in Maryland, where he spent many years working for the Chesapeake Bay Bridge, and later moved to Federalsburg, MD.

Dan was a loving father to Deborah Breen and her husband Tom, Stephanie Ford, Rebecca Ewing and her husband Stewart, and his son Daniel Lee Ford II. He was a devoted grandfather to Tommy and his wife Joy, Patrick and his wife Chelsea, Brittany, Ashley, John, Hailey, Zachary, and Hunter. Dan was a cherished great-grandfather to Tinsley, Cayden, and Parker. He was dearly loved by aunts, uncles, cousins, and treasured friends from around the world.

Big hearted, kind, loving, humble, strong, compassionate, generous, honest, a coach, a mentor, a friend to so many, our rock, are only some of the characteristics that describe this wonderful man who never met a stranger and has now departed from all of us who loved and knew him. We thank God for the gift of his life and the time we were given to share with him. One's life is impossible to summarize in a column, but Dan's life story will forever be remembered in our hearts and minds, and he will be deeply missed.

A visitation will be held on Friday, October 27, 2017, from 6-8 pm, at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, 106 Shamrock Road, Chester, MD. Services will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2017, at 11 am at the same location. Burial will follow at Stevensville Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Stevensville Cemetery

808 Main Street
Stevensville, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **27**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
(410) 643-2226
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Service

OCT **28**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 26, 2017 at 10:50 AM

SF

Dad Zachary and I miss you so much

stephanie ford - October 26, 2017 at 02:28 PM

MI

Great tribute to a great man and a great/dear/best friend. Gonna miss ya Bubba. Love Ya.

Mickey - October 26, 2017 at 02:58 PM

GB

Absolutely beautiful. Dan would have loved it!! Love you, George

George Bango - October 26, 2017 at 03:57 PM

SC

to all of the Ford family. What a beautiful tribute to a beautiful man. My heart aches for you all. I have so many great memories that I will never forget. RIP my friend until we meet again.

Sandy Child - October 26, 2017 at 05:19 PM

JS

Such a beautiful and deserving tribute to my buddy Danny. I know he's sitting on the right hand of God now and smiling down on his children, grandchildren and other family members. We struck up an honorable and friendly relationship on Crete. Danny, love ya my brother. RIP Silent Warrior 🙏🥹

Jim Stephens - October 27, 2017 at 03:08 PM



“ *Daniel Lee Ford*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Daniel Lee Ford*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Daniel Lee Ford*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

DB

“ *Debbie Breen lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*



Debbie Breen - November 04, 2017 at 04:47 PM

SF

“ Stephanie Ford sent a virtual gift in memory of Daniel Lee Ford



stephanie ford - October 31, 2017 at 10:40 AM

SC

“ Sandy Child lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford



Sandy Child - October 28, 2017 at 07:01 PM

SC

My heart and soul is with all of you today. Thoughts and prayers to you all.ly. farewell my friend Rip. And fly high .

Sandy Child - October 28, 2017 at 07:06 PM

EK

“ Eric N Kathy lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford



Eric n Kathy - October 23, 2017 at 06:05 PM

BJ

“ *Brittany Jackman lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*



Brittany Jackman - October 19, 2017 at 02:11 PM

WH

“ *With love, the Boston Breens and Holmans purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Daniel Lee Ford.*



With love, the Boston Breens and Holmans - October 18, 2017 at 06:10 PM



Rebecca Ewing

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Rebecca Ewing - October 18, 2017 at 12:16 AM



Rebecca Ewing

“ *Rebecca Ewing sent a virtual gift in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*



Rebecca Ewing - October 18, 2017 at 12:15 AM

BE

“ *Beckie lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*



Beckie - October 17, 2017 at 09:04 PM

SH

“ *SHIRLEY lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*

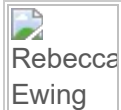


SHIRLEY - October 17, 2017 at 11:26 AM

SH

Such a big loss for the entire family. Will always remember your grilled chicken at the summer picnics. Stephanie, Rebecca, Debbie and Danny, thank you for sharing your dad with us. Rest in Peace, Dan.

SHIRLEY - October 17, 2017 at 11:28 AM



Thank you. It means a lot. We need to pull together to get through all this.

Rebecca Ewing - October 18, 2017 at 12:13 AM

DO

“ *Dorothy lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*

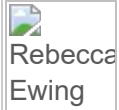


Dorothy - October 17, 2017 at 10:06 AM

DO

All I can say is he was a wonderful man, I met him at work, always so pleasant and helpful in any way he could be. Friends like Dan are really hard to come by and I will miss the good times and the sharing of our children, never burdening anyone with his problems. Loved him so much, and remembering all his children, God Bless all of you.

Dorothy - October 17, 2017 at 10:11 AM



Rebecca Ewing

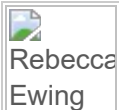
Thank you

Rebecca Ewing - October 18, 2017 at 12:17 AM

MF

“ *Stef, Beck, Deb, Danny Lee. Yall lost a loving, caring, compassionate Dad and we lost a great/best friend. You know how close we were and how much we loved him. Stay Strong We Love Yall. Mickey, Marsha, Jamie, Jeff, Jackie*

Mickey Fields - October 17, 2017 at 03:51 AM



Rebecca Ewing

Thank you. We love you guys too

Rebecca Ewing - October 18, 2017 at 12:18 AM

SF

Thank you he really loved you guys and so do we

stephanie ford - October 23, 2017 at 07:51 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Lee Ford.*



October 17, 2017 at 03:22 AM

GB

“ There are no words to express my sorrow. Dan was like no other. He was my Air Force leader, mentor, role model, and above all friend. Serving on Crete with him was an honor. He led the way for so many young airman. You are gone but not forgotten Dan. Thanks for your 24 years of dedicated service and for being one hell of a friend!!!

My deepest sympathies to the entire Ford family.

george bango - October 17, 2017 at 12:49 AM

MF

Stef, Beck, Deb, Danny Lee. Yall lost a loving, caring, compassionate Dad, and we lost a great/best friend. You know how close we were and how much we loved him. Stay Strong. We Love Yall. Mickey, Marsha, Jamie, Jeff, Jackie.

Mickey Fields - October 17, 2017 at 03:37 AM

WH

“ My prayers are with my other family im sorry for yet another death of a loved one i love u guys keep ur heads up 🙏🙏❤️❤�



Will hubbard - October 16, 2017 at 10:51 PM

JL

“ Rest in Peace Dan. You will be missed by many, but loved by more. Let Diane know how much she has been missed. Always and forever in our hearts!!!

Jayne Landry - October 16, 2017 at 10:44 PM

TO

“ Tom O'Dea lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford



Tom O'Dea - October 16, 2017 at 09:49 PM

SF

“ Dad you were so much more than just a father you were my friend my confidant and my rock you were also an amazing grandpa mentor and friend to Zachary you were and always be his hero nobody else will ever measure up to you in his book You are the reason he has grown up into a wonderful young man because of you he is on the path to success and will make you proud on and off the football field We miss you more than you can imagine four hearts our broken and aching we're missing a piece of our souls we will miss you in so many ways especially our little adventures and mistrials as The three amigos but we also find solace in knowing your not suffering in pain anymore and you are with Mom again and we all will be reunited again someday Thank you for everything you did for us and don't worry about Rocky we will take good care of him for you Goodbye for now we love you so much dad 🥺🥺💔💔🙏🙏



stephanie ford - October 16, 2017 at 08:23 PM

SF

“ *Stephanie Ford lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*



stephanie ford - October 16, 2017 at 07:47 PM



“ *Raymond Dorrell lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Ford*



Raymond Dorrell - October 16, 2017 at 07:27 PM