



James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn

June 20, 1958 - May 3, 2026

James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn passed away at his home in Rock Hall, MD on May 3, 2026. He was 67 years old.

Danny was born on June 20, 1958 in Chestertown, MD, the son of Nancy Hubbard and the late Jack Leroy Elburn. He attended Kent County Schools before beginning his career on the water at the age of 14 working fishing charters. He later married Rita (Johnson) Elburn and the two co-owned and managed Pelorus Marina. They then opened up E & E Seafood in Chestertown, and then J & J Seafood in Rock Hall. Recently, he spent his days farming with Owen Clark.

He will be remembered as a people person who loved motorcycles, Lynyrd Skynyrd, and the New York Yankees. He was a dedicated worker and manager, whether it was at the store or on the boat. He also loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of which were lovingly nicknamed by him.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his wife, Rita Elburn, two brothers, David "Smiley" Elburn and Michael Elburn, and a nephew, Shane Elburn.

He is survived by his mother, Nancy Hubbard; daughters, Beth Elburn and Jessica Perry (Justin); grandchildren: Colby Dowling (Dana), Alyssa Ramirez, Layla Perry, Liam Perry, and Jaxon Andes; great-grandchildren: Ryland, Raymier, Mason, and Raheim; sister, Denise Hepbron; and brother, Mark Elburn.

A Celebration of Life gathering will be held on Sunday, May 17 from 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company.

In lieu of flowers, donations to cover Danny's funeral costs would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home at 410-778-0055 to donate.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

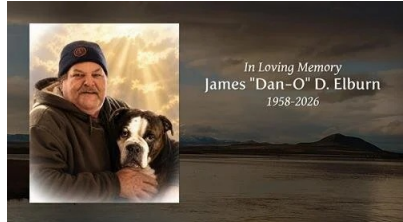
MAY 17. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company
21500 Rock Hall Ave
Rock Hall, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - May 11 at 11:17 AM

JS

“ *I just found out of Danny's passing so sad when a true Rock Hall friend leaves us. Danny and I had many of good times together even though he loved the Yankees and I loved the Orioles. You couldn't ask for any better friends than him and Rita. Rip my Rock Hall brother until we meet again*



Jeff Shahan - June 04 at 01:10 PM

RP

“ *Robin G. Pletzer lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Robin G. Pletzer - May 13 at 11:24 PM

BM

“ *Very sorry to hear of your loss..We became to know Danny and Rita when they had J & J seafood...as we were DE Commercial Crabber and sold to them...It was a privilege and honor to have known both of them..Many prayers and blessings to the entire family*

Barbara McGinnis - May 11 at 01:39 PM

NC

“ *Nancy Conner lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Nancy Conner - May 09 at 05:54 PM

NC

*So sorry .Nancy,Denise and daughters for your loss.I did talk to Danny the last time I saw him about the Lord . He is in heaven now all of his pain and sorrow is gone . He has a whole new body .He looks like the handsome young man he was . Life is hard and we lose our way sometimes but Jesus is the answer and the light . May God be with you all let Him shine His light upon you and heal you . Love you all much .
Nancy*

Nancy Conner - May 09 at 06:12 PM

AR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Alyssa Ramirez - May 08 at 01:52 PM

CW

“ I'm sorry to hear of Danny's passing. I recall many conversations with Danny while I was in the "ROCK" and elsewhere In Kent County. I hope he now rests in peace.

Cliff Wilson - May 07 at 11:25 PM



“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Jessica Elburn - May 07 at 05:45 PM

AG

Great Photos. Your Dad was a Great guy. Your Mom and Dad are always remembered in all of us. God bless Your Family.

Arthur Godfrey - May 09 at 05:01 AM

WH

“ Wendy Bowers Hutchinson lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Wendy Bowers Hutchinson - May 07 at 11:53 AM

LD

“ Lydia Dagenais lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Lydia Dagenais - May 06 at 03:59 PM

TS

“ Todd And Diane Smith lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Todd and Diane Smith - May 06 at 12:41 PM

DD

“ Debbie Dalrymple lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Debbie Dalrymple - May 06 at 09:36 AM

MU

“ Marie Usilton lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Marie Usilton - May 06 at 02:02 AM

SD

“ Will miss you Danny..a true Rock Hall man..you were always my friend.. with love for you rest easy.

Sandra Dunn - May 05 at 06:16 PM

CS

“ Danny... always lived everyday as the true Rock Haller he very proudly always was... he was never at a loss for words, had zero filters and marched to his very own "like it or not" drum! If he knew you and liked you, you had no better friend in the universe! He kept us entertained and guessing with his many FB old school song lyric riddles! He loved giving people a hard time, all in good fun, I think! He liked a good prank, as long as it wasn't being played on him! He was a fun friend, who liked a good laugh and good food! I grew up with Danny & Smiley and their mom, Miss Nancy, our Cub Scout den mother, the prettiest one of any/all btw! Fond Memories for sure! Prayers and hugs to all.



Charles Shahan - May 05 at 03:38 PM

JP

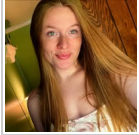
Thank you so much for sharing your memories about my dad!

Jessica Perry - May 07 at 01:12 PM

AG

Well stated Charles; You remember him well. Danny in a hand shake, always true to his word, as you said; Like-It-Or-Not, lol.

Arthur Godfrey - May 09 at 05:04 AM



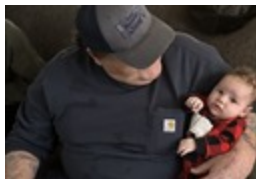
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Dana Wright - May 05 at 03:29 PM



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alyssa ramirez - May 05 at 03:27 PM



“ 4 files added to the tribute wall

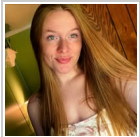


Beth Elburn - May 05 at 03:05 PM

AG

So Many Heartfelt Photos. God Bless Danny on his Journey and new life in Heaven with Rita. God Speed My Friend.

Arthur Godfrey - May 09 at 05:06 AM



“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Dana Wright - May 05 at 03:01 PM

LD

“ Linda Davis lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Linda Davis - May 05 at 02:55 PM

LW

“ Luke W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn.

Luke W. - May 05 at 02:28 PM

CN

“ Chris & Vivian Nordhoff lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Chris & Vivian Nordhoff - May 05 at 01:37 PM

CW

“ To the family of DanO now sending my condolences in love to my brother in the passing Rest Easy, my brother Keep it in the wake...



Carl Webb - May 05 at 01:15 PM

LP

“ *Leah Plato lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Leah Plato - May 05 at 12:50 PM

MM

“ *Marie Myers lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*

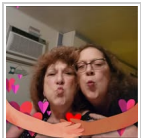


Marie Myers - May 05 at 12:32 PM



“ *Danny was my classmate and dear friend. He was the one that would sing this crazy song in class and of course I would out and get in trouble 😭. He was that friend that always greeted me with some much love and a great big hug whenever we met❤️. He will be missed and remembered forever. Love you my friend. RIP*

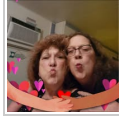
Annette Beck Turner - May 05 at 10:01 AM



“ *Michelle Miller lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Michelle Miller - May 05 at 09:47 AM



Deepest condolences to the entire family

Michelle Miller - May 05 at 09:49 AM

SG

“ *My condolences to the family*



Sandy Green - May 05 at 08:32 AM

CT

“ *Carroll & Carol Thompson lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Carroll & Carol Thompson - May 05 at 07:55 AM

JK

“ *Jenn Kulley lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Jenn Kulley - May 05 at 07:48 AM

BC

“ *Billy and Louise Clayton, sorry for your loss.*



Billy and Louise Clayton - May 05 at 06:31 AM

LS

“ *Liz Smith lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Liz Smith - May 05 at 05:49 AM

GS

“ *George Short lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



George Short - May 05 at 04:55 AM

BB

“ *Barney & Kaye Barnes lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Barney & Kaye Barnes - May 05 at 04:37 AM

CR

“ Cheryl Reihl lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Cheryl Reihl - May 04 at 10:46 PM

EL

“ Eric Legg lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Eric Legg - May 04 at 10:33 PM



“ Matt Larrimore lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Matt Larrimore - May 04 at 09:41 PM

KS

“ Kathy Shriley lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Kathy Shriley - May 04 at 09:34 PM

KS

Our sympathy to all of you. Will keep you in our prayers.

Kathy Shriley - May 04 at 09:38 PM

KM

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of you*



Kevin and Tracey Middleton - May 04 at 09:28 PM

LM

“ *Lecia Marshner lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Lecia Marshner - May 04 at 08:59 PM

LM

Thinking of you all with condolences and love.

Lecia Marshner - May 04 at 08:59 PM

LF

“ *Linda Foote lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn*



Linda Foote - May 04 at 08:48 PM

RJ

“ Thinking of the family with love



Robin Jamar - May 04 at 08:44 PM



“ Brenda Biddle sent a virtual gift in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Brenda Biddle - May 04 at 08:42 PM



“ 21 files added to the tribute wall



Jessica Elburn - May 04 at 08:36 PM

FD

“ Frankie & Jane Dill lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Frankie & Jane Dill - May 04 at 08:25 PM

RT

“ Sending my deepest condolences to Danny's family.



Roni Lynn Thomas - May 04 at 08:22 PM

VR

“ Valerie Reihl lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Valerie Reihl - May 04 at 08:10 PM

BC

“ Barbara Calder lit a candle in memory of James Daniel "Dan-O" Elburn



Barbara Calder - May 04 at 05:31 PM

HG

Daniel was an absolute sweetheart we talked and thought that we were cousins as my name is Helen elburn from Rock Hall now living in Felton Delaware Danny and I talked by text messaging sometimes phone at least once every other week we were going to make arrangements about a month ago for me to come to Rock Hall we were going to have lunch together when I heard this today on Facebook my heart is totally broken he will always be remembered by me he's a sweetheart thank you

Helen Gray - May 04 at 07:17 PM

SA

“ Sallie lit a candle in memory of James Daniel
"Dan-O" Elburn



Sallie - May 04 at 05:30 PM

HJ

“ Our condolences to the family, Mike and Holly

holly johnson - May 04 at 05:20 PM

SD

Rest easy Danny.. you will be missed by all who knew you..my sympathy to the family with love.

Sandra Dunn - May 05 at 04:34 PM

AS

Danny you told me 40 years ago you wouldn't leave without me. I guess you were in a hurry to see ruth.gonna miss you brother. See you on the other side...

Andre sisco - May 05 at 09:51 PM