



## Daniel C Fehrenbacher

July 23, 1949 - April 29, 2021

Daniel Carl Fehrenbacher, 71, of Antioch, Illinois, passed away on April 29th, 2021, after a short stay at Lake Forest Hospital and JourneyCare Hospice of Barrington.

Dan was born in Waukegan on July 23, 1949 to Carl and Doris Fehrenbacher of Long Lake. He lived his entire life in Lake County, attending Gavin Grade School and graduating from Grant Community High School in 1967.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Kathy (Mortensen Rupe) Fehrenbacher, and his parents.

Dan is survived by his treasured children Brian (Shelley) Fehrenbacher of Valrico, Florida, Kari (Chris Buss) Fehrenbacher of Evansville, Wisconsin, and Aaron (Gina) Rupe of Antioch, and six grandchildren: Katrina, Chloe, Trevor, Alexis, Ashtyn and Gabe. He is also survived by his sister, Mari-Anne (Donald) Hechmann of Ingleside, Illinois, many relatives across the country, and his faithful little dog, Mattie.

He leaves behind life long friends James Jablonski, Victor A. Nix III, Florida friends Joel and Sandy Kelley, in addition to many dear friends and good neighbors in the Long Lake, Antioch and Lake County areas, and in the Port Richey, Florida area, where he and Kathy wintered many years.

Dan worked at Illinois Bell Telephone (SBC/AT&T) for 30+ years. He was an avid outdoor and sports fan, following the Bears, Blackhawks, White Sox and Nascar events, whether in Illinois or Florida. He loved golfing, fishing, bowling and camping. He stayed active gardening and tending to his yard, birds and flowers year round.

A memorial visitation will take place on Saturday, May 8th, 2021, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Ringa Funeral Home, 122 South Milwaukee Avenue, Lake Villa, Illinois, with a service at 12 noon.

The family is most grateful and sincerely thanks the wonderful staffs who cared for Dan at the Lake Forest Hospital and JourneyCare, and they extend a special thanks to Anthony Kesman and Marlo Nelson.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate your consideration of a gift in Dan's remembrance to the Preservation Foundation of the Lake County Forest Preserves ([www.lcfpd.org/preservation-foundation/donate-now](http://www.lcfpd.org/preservation-foundation/donate-now)).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAY 8. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home  
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
info@ringafuneralhome.com  
<http://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

## Memorial Service

MAY 8. 12:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home  
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Lake Villa, IL 60046  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Daniel C Fehrenbacher*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Daniel C Fehrenbacher*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Danny, you will be missed, especially at the Grant High School Reunions. You were always fun to be around. I remember the first time I met you. We were Freshmen at Grant and were building our Homecoming Float. I had a great time getting to know you and Jimmy Jablonski then and for the rest of our years at Grant. It was fun to know you all these years after, as well.*

*Our condolences to your family. Rest in peace.*

*Timothy and Sharon (Buchardt) Crabb*

Sharon Crabb - May 06, 2021 at 05:57 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Daniel C Fehrenbacher.*



May 05, 2021 at 06:12 PM

MS

“ My condolences to the family of Dan. I worked with Dan at the phone company and worked under his wife Kathy. Always enjoyed getting together with them at the phone company parties. We always had a great time when we got together. He will be missed my many. Sending thoughts and prayers to his family and friends.

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**Mary Lou Scripture** - May 04, 2021 at 07:29 PM

SS

“ Dan was a dear friend! I went through Grade School and High School with him. We spent many great times together at our home in Ringwood with him and Kathy. For over 30 years, we went walleye fishing in Genoa, WI. Our group will greatly miss him! His hair was always perfect. His smile and laugh were remarkable. Now he can meet back up with the love of life and play golf. I'm sure Paul Bieder, another fishing buddy who recently passed, will be waiting to take him fishing for the big ones. Our heartfelt prayers, condolences and love go out to his family. He will be greatly missed and always in our hearts.

**Scott & Kathy Shalek**  
Rhineland, WI and Delray Beach, FL

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**Scott Shalek** - May 03, 2021 at 01:19 PM

DR

**RIP DAN**  
Goodbyes are not forever,  
Goodbyes are not the end.  
They simply mean we'll miss you,  
until we meet again. May the lord comfort your families grieving hearts  
and bring peace to all of them.  
P.S. The Oldman say's "see ya on the otherside Dan "  
Diane and John Romano  
Murray Kentucky

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**Diane and John Romano** - May 04, 2021 at 05:14 PM

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“ I went to school with Dan and other friends many who hung together as we grew up we shared many memories as we aged I stayed in touch as he married Kathy Mortensen and I also knew her family so we shared some good times. Saw him at many reunions and we still can not figure out how he kept that perfect flock of hair...he always looked great and will never forget his laugh and smile .I am sure another member of our class Ray Kavanaugh who we also lost not long ago met him at heavens gate along with his wife Kathy who I know he missed so. My deep sympathy to his family he will always be missed and also remembered.

*Peggy Sandberg Maier  
Ft. Myers Florida*

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**Peggy Maier (Sandberg)** - May 02, 2021 at 11:50 PM

HS

*I'm so sorry to see this. I first met Dan at Furlans Dugout playing softball many years ago. Then he popped up at Ma Bell !! We spent a few weeks at the training center in Oak Brook. Dan was a great man. Years pass, and I find out he married my fellow operator, Morty ! Wonderful people. And amen to that hair lol I'm awfully sad that he is gone, however I'm sure Morty was holding the door. Sincere condolences. Holly Markwart Swehla*

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**Holly Swehla** - May 03, 2021 at 08:05 PM

DW

“ *Rest in peace Danny. You've been like another brother all these years. Didn't matter how long we hadn't seen one another, when we got together it was like we were never apart. Cheers like the four of us at the moose in Florida. You are loved and missed by all.  
Dawn Jablonski Wander*

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**Dawn Jablonski Wander** - May 01, 2021 at 08:33 PM

SK

“ Joel and I send our heartfelt condolences and prayers to his family at this most difficult time. We are still processing this and totally are missing our best bud. We have so many fond memories with Dan and Kathy . It is very comforting to us to know that Dan and Kathy are back together and having a great time in heaven. We love you both to the moon and back💖💖💖

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sandy kelley - May 01, 2021 at 08:22 PM