



## Daniel J. Riley

October 25, 1952 - May 2, 2024

**\*\*UPDATED\*\***

Riley, Daniel John, May 2, 2024 age 71 of Canton.

Beloved husband of Marie.

Loving father of Diana Marie (James) Woodward and Shannon (Jonathan) Clinton.

Proud grandfather of Jay, Danny, Annabel and Nathan.

Dear brother of William (Paula) Riley, Michael (Virginia) Riley, and Mavis (Ron) Wood.

Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews, and his loyal dog Lucy.

Daniel earned an Associates in Science in Data Processing from Broward Community College and a Bachelors of Science in Agriculture from the University of Maryland.

Daniel was a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians Patrick Ryan Division, and an avid outdoorsman, loved fishing, hunting, cooking and anything that allowed him to spend quality time with family and friends. He traveled the world, but most enjoyed being home with family. Our leprechaun was loved by ALL who met him.

Memorial Visitation Monday, May 6th 6-8 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West, (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth.

Rosary service 7 PM.

Gathering of family and friends Tuesday, May 7th 11:30 AM until the 12:00 PM

Memorial Mass at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, 133 Orchard Drive,

Northville, MI 48167.

**\*\*UPDATE\*\*** The family will be hosting Danny's massive Irish party on Friday, June 7th at Monaghan Knights of Columbus, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48152 from 5 PM until 10 PM. All are welcome.

Memorial contributions can be made to Memorial contributions may be made to Dept. of Natural Resources, ATTN Cashier's Office, P.O. Box 30451, Lansing, MI 48909, <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/form/0ITORw?vid=15dv0k>  
GiGi's Playhouse Southfield, 19799 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48076 <https://gigisplayhouse.org/detroit>  
or GiGi's Playhouse Chicago, 3948 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago, IL 60613. <https://gigisplayhouse.org/chicago>.

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# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAY 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

## Rosary

MAY 6. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

## Gathering of Family and Friends

MAY 7. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church  
133 Orchard Dr.  
Northville, MI 48167

## **Memorial Mass**

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MAY 7. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church  
133 Orchard Dr.  
Northville, MI 48167

# Tribute Wall

SP

“ So sorry for your loss, May Sir Daniel's soul rest in peace and my heartfelt condolences to your family.

SHASHIDARAN SHARATH PILLAI - May 08, 2024 at 01:24 PM

HT

“ We've known you for over 50+ years, Dan...Mike's roommate at Northland College, blessed to have you as part of our wedding in 1972. Dan you were always that smiling wonderful face & personality when we were together. It didn't matter what we were doing, it was always a adventure.  
RIP Dan, watch over all who love you, we will always remember.  
Our heartfelt condolences to you Marie, and the family.  
Heather & Mike Thatcher

Heather Thatcher - May 07, 2024 at 03:10 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



May 07, 2024 at 02:02 PM

LD

“ Love, Kathy and Geoff d'Alelio purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



Love, Kathy and Geoff d'Alelio - May 06, 2024 at 08:43 PM

BR

“ We will miss you Dan. Your smile and warmth will always be remembered. It was there every time we met.  
The Luedy

Bryan - May 06, 2024 at 05:25 PM

AL

“ Our deepest sympathies for your loss. He was obviously a well-loved husband, father and grandfather.  
-Madeleine White and Alessandra Lipman



Alessandra Lipman - May 06, 2024 at 04:49 PM

SC

“ Sam Cockburn (Thomas Chapman) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.

Sam Cockburn (Thomas Chapman) - May 06, 2024 at 01:33 PM

SC

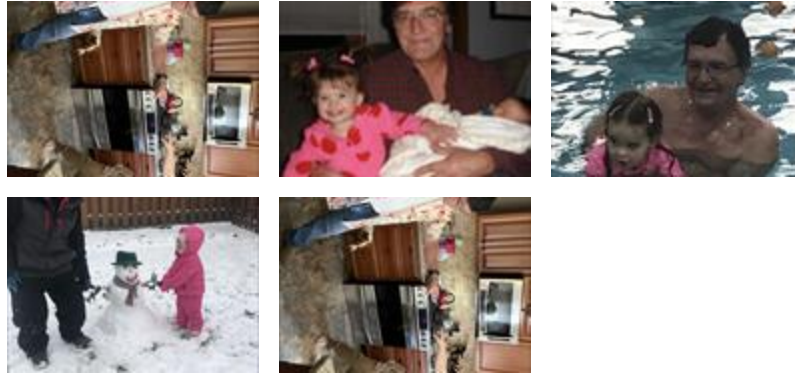
“ Sam Cockburn (Thomas Chapman) purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



Sam Cockburn (Thomas Chapman) - May 06, 2024 at 01:33 PM

DW

“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Diana Woodward - May 06, 2024 at 08:59 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



May 05, 2024 at 08:07 PM

PW

“ So sorry to hear of Danny’s passing, prayers to Marie and the rest of the family. We were all involved together in the Irish Dance world and particularly at the Detroit Feis where we worked together for many years. Danny always knew when I was getting a bit stressed out and suddenly a cup with Baileys in it would appear. So many great memories.

Pat Watkins - May 05, 2024 at 03:38 PM

AT

“ *Summers in Wading River will not be the same without our dear nephew, cousin and friend, Dan Riley . . . his boundless energy and enthusiasm, his happy willingness to help others and his spirit - - always so much fun with Dan! We all loved him and will truly miss him. The Turchiano and Nicholas families extend our deepest sympathy and love to Marie and the entire Riley family.*

Anna Marie Turchiano - May 05, 2024 at 03:15 PM

MM

“ *Megan Keith Logan James McKee planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.*

Megan Keith Logan James McKee - May 05, 2024 at 02:39 PM

MM

“ *Megan Keith Logan James McKee purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Daniel J. Riley.*



Megan Keith Logan James McKee - May 05, 2024 at 02:39 PM

BH

“ *Brian Hanley purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Daniel J. Riley.*



Brian Hanley - May 05, 2024 at 01:09 PM

MA

“ Mary and Agnes purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



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Mary and Agnes - May 05, 2024 at 11:12 AM

FF

“ From the Bates Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.

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From the Bates Family - May 05, 2024 at 08:02 AM

FF

“ From the Bates Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



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From the Bates Family - May 05, 2024 at 08:02 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



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May 04, 2024 at 05:47 PM

TM

“ *The Callahans, The Hills, & The Mezgecs purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Daniel J. Riley.*



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**The Callahans, The Hills, & The Mezgecs** - May 04, 2024 at 02:38 PM

EF

“ *Evelyn Turchiano & family purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Daniel J. Riley.*



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**Evelyn Turchiano & family** - May 04, 2024 at 01:40 PM

EF

“ *Eugene Aronne Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.*

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**Eugene Aronne Family** - May 04, 2024 at 01:14 PM

EF

“ *Eugene Aronne Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Daniel J. Riley.*



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**Eugene Aronne Family** - May 04, 2024 at 01:14 PM

WC

“ With love from Bill, Paula and the West Coast Riley clan. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



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**With love from Bill, Paula and the West Coast Riley clan. -**  
May 04, 2024 at 11:55 AM

AS

“ Anand and Seema Seth purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



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**Anand and Seema Seth -** May 04, 2024 at 09:31 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



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May 04, 2024 at 09:23 AM

TS

“ Tim and Mary Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.

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**Tim and Mary Smith -** May 04, 2024 at 09:23 AM

LB

“ Love, Martha & Brett planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.

Love, Martha & Brett - May 04, 2024 at 09:20 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



May 04, 2024 at 09:20 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel J. Riley.



May 03, 2024 at 10:21 PM

TF

“ The Riley Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.

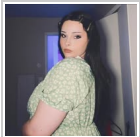
The Riley Family - May 03, 2024 at 10:21 PM

WA

“ My friend, and a fan of our Christmas bear. Every Christmas as long as i have them ill remember you and keep the spirit you imbued im most everything.



Wayne - May 03, 2024 at 10:08 PM



“ My love and condolences to friends and family, he was so very loved! -Hayden Lindsley

Hayden Lindsley - May 03, 2024 at 09:40 PM

JR

“ Thinking of all of the Riley's at this difficult time. We had a lot of good times when they lived in Melrose ,MA next door to them was my brother in law Dave and parents Dan's cousin. We did a lot of kids things with them.

Jane Turner Russell - May 03, 2024 at 09:40 PM

RF

“ Roxanne and David and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel J. Riley.

Roxanne and David and family - May 03, 2024 at 08:53 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Daniel J. Riley.*



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May 03, 2024 at 08:53 PM



“ *Dan was so much fun as a participant in aerobic classes when I led fitness classes at Unisys. He invited Shannon & Diana to join us and more shenanigans were added to our exercise class. I am fortunate to have become close friends with Marie & Dan after all of our knees started complaining. Such a lovely family; such a huge loss to Dan's family and to all whose lives he touched. I am so grateful to have called him ' friend'.*

*I will come to cherish Marie's friendship & am so thankful that she has such wonderful children and grandchildren to carry her through this incredible loss. They truly were the personification of love.*

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**Brenda M Mack** - May 03, 2024 at 05:27 PM



*Edit: I HAVE -not will- come to cherish Marie's friendship.*

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**Brenda M Mack** - May 03, 2024 at 05:32 PM



*Dan was such a great guy- everyone loved him. He was one of those people that you really looked forward to seeing and talking with. Dan will be missed by all of us.*

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**Isabel and Bob OBrien** - May 05, 2024 at 06:04 PM