



Daniel James Hupfer

October 25, 1965 - December 31, 2014

On the morning of December 31, 2014, Dan, a loving husband, pops, opa, son, nephew and loyal friend, lost his battle with depression. He was 49 years young.

Dan was born in Cheverly, Maryland, on October 25, 1965. He was the only child of Ginger and Max Hupfer. He graduated from Bowie Senior High School and earned a Bachelor's of Business Administration from James Madison University. After working at a number of jobs, to include delivering the Washington Post while in high school, and serving as a carpenter's helper, Dan chose a career in computer sciences. He worked for over 25 years as a federal employee Computer Specialist at the US General Services Administration.

Dan began playing music at an early age and rocked the trumpet all through high school, eventually picking up the guitar as his instrument of choice and giving us years of enjoyment listening to him play. He combined his loves of music and technology by creating videos of his guitar playing and sharing them with younger family members, encouraging them to play as well.

A man with many interests, Dan was an outdoorsman, hiker, biker, and golfer (with an "interesting" stance). Grade A skier who was not afraid to wipe out on the bunny slope at Massanutten. Dan was an all around sports fan, dividing

his allegiance between the Washington Redskins and Baltimore Ravens (with attendance at occasional Orioles and Nationals baseball games watching from the nose bleed seats). He was an avid cigar connoisseur, (not just on the golf course), and a champion of all movie and music trivia contests. Dan was also a fierce competitor in the family fantasy football league, playing each year under the name of VA MAYHEM IS BACK!

But when it came to concerts, Dan went all out for his favorite band Rush. He also enjoyed catching performances of even earlier rockers, such as Paul McCartney and the Rolling Stones with Kathy and his cousins. Dan had a blast at the 9:30 club rocking the upper level banister and even danced on the Wolf Trap lawn.

Dan was an awesome cook who liked to perform culinary safaris in the kitchen. He loved his pizza and burgers, but was never afraid to make something exotic to eat. Give him a recipe and you could be assured that although he left the kitchen looking like a tornado had swept through it, he would always produce a delicious meal.

He was a constant traveler to places far and close, from Greece to Poland, and New York to California (not to mention the Florida Keys and Puerto Rico). He was a strong supporter of causes close to his heart.

Dan was preceded in death by his grandparents, Evelyn and Harry Lillard, Herbert and Laura Hupfer, mother, Ginger (Lillard) Hupfer, uncles Gerard Clancy and James Hupfer, and friend, Scott Broaddus.

Dan is survived by his wife Katarzyna Krolak, son Michael Sebastian Krolak, granddaughter Eva Josefina Krolak, father, Max Hupfer, aunt, Carole Clancy, aunt, Judy Hupfer, aunt and uncle, Jeannie and William Hennessy, parents-in-

law, Halina and William Shadle, Jr., cousins, Pat and Pam Clancy, Mark and Dawn Clancy, second cousins, Ryan, Katie Erin, Sean, Colin and Corey Clancy.

A celebration of life gathering for family and friends will be held on Sunday, January 25, 2015 from 3:00 to 5:30 pm at Jefferson Funeral Chapel located at 5755 Castlewellan Drive, Alexandria, VA 22315. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the following organizations: National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI); American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP); National Association for Music Education; or the Phoenix Landing Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ *Daniel James Hupfer*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Obituary Wall*



Jefferson Funeral Chapel - January 28, 2019 at 09:38 AM



“ *Hadn't seen Danny in 20 years or so - wondering how he was. I regret not making more effort to find him. Danny was a funny guy who loved music - he turned me on to some great stuff - King Crimson and more. I shared some good times with him in my teens. He also had this great yellow Volkswagen Beetle. I always identified Beetles with him. Rest in Peace - Danny.*

May 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dan, you will be missed! Though haven't seen you for almost over 4 years, I still remember all those wonderful moments you brought to us, your smile face and your Donkin Donuts. Do what ever you want do in the heaven, we will miss you!!!*

January 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ We miss you Dan! Cacapon, Massanutten, and Bayside won't be the same without you there to talk to. No matter the subject you always had a point of view and something to add. You were the playlist master before there was such a thing as a playlist. You were the sports fan to top all sports fans. Until you and Kathy arrived at an event, it was often heard... "Danny and Kathy are coming, right?". The answer, with much relief was always... "of course they'll be here, they're just on Danny time!". You are loved dearly Dan. Until we meet again, I'll keep track of the stats and scores, but it won't be the same.

January 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dan was one of the first friends I made my freshman year in college at James Madison University. I have known him for 30 years. He helped show me the ropes. He told me to have fun, but to not overdo it and flunk out. After college, Dan remained in my life as a drinking buddy, Washingtonian and confidant. He helped me manage a beach house in Dewey Beach for 3 years and we all had a blast. Dan helped teach me how to play golf and went on many a great adventure vacation with our mutual friends. He always had a kind word to say, was a great storyteller, was a great listener and always the first person you thought of inviting to a party. Though i wanted future adventures with my friend Dan, he gave me so many amazing memories that i will carry them with me always. Danny, you will be missed. Your Friend, Erik.

January 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dan, I will always remember your laughter and joking with everyone. As well as the times that you, Janet and I would slip out for HH and the HHs that Christina set up. We did have fun :). You were a joy to be around! You were also great to work with. You were the "go to guy" for anything to do with OP and if we had any issues for the depots you would get it fixed quickly. I enjoyed working on projects with you - you were always a great team player. You are missed my friend but we will never forget you. You are free from pain now so rest in peace my friend.
To Kathy and the family, I am so sorry for your loss and pain, my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

January 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I didn't know Dan but did know his wonderful adoring wife. My heart goes out to her and both families and prayers for Peace, in time to come.

January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I will miss you tremendously my dear friend. I will forever remember and cherish all of the memories over the years.

January 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dan, you will be missed

January 13, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dan, I am really really gonna miss you -- you were one of the best bosses I have worked with! Your smiling face will always be visible to us! I can speak for many others that you will be missed a lot !!

January 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Danny, I'll miss you. It was always a party when you, Pat and Mark were together, the quick wit, sports banter and lots of laughs will be missed. Whether it was freezing on the ski slopes or the sun and family at Bayside, your absence will leave a large gap. You, however will be in a better place.
Carole

January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dan was one of the greatest persons I ever had the opportunity to work with. His wit, candor, and knowledge was awesome. He was quick with a solution and would always listen to others ideas and try to implement them even when sometimes the outcome wasn't always fully known. His loss will be a great one for those who were close to him or who worked with him for any period of time.

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Although I didn't have the pleasure of meeting you in person, your presence was profound on the job. I can truly say you will be missed tremendously by us all.

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *What I wouldn't give for one more hand shattering high five. One more stream of consciousness conversation from that beautiful, crazy mind. One more "that's hilarious!" and infectious laugh. You were my friend, my partner in crime. You always listened to my stories.
"But these stories don't mean anything
When you've got no one to tell them to"
I miss you.*

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I had the opportunity to work with Dan over the past 20 plus years. He was the one person you could go to when you had a complex system/operations problem you couldn't solve. It was just a few weeks ago when an issue popped up - I told a team of people "Go see Dan - he will know what we should do." Not only was Dan the "go to person" - he was so friendly, cool, calm, and collected while the rest of us were running around in a panic. He was a joy to be around and just an all around great guy. Dan - you will always be missed but never forgotten.*

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *No one is truly gone as long as they are remembered, rest in peace. You will live on in everyones hearts.*

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Through all of the lives Dan touched he will live on indefinitely. He was a kind, gentle spirit and working with him over the years was a true blessing. I will always remember his devious smile, like a little kid, and how he always diffused drama with a joke. He will be missed but not forgotten.

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Dan you were a great friend, a wonderful supervisor, and I was so fortunate to be under you for 11 years. You were generous almost to a fault, funny, and a real joy to be around. You are in my prayers and in my heart until we meet again.

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Although I have not seen you in 3 years you were always on my mind. I enjoyed working with you for all the years that we did. Between you, me, Jody and Kevin we made one hell of a team. I am sorry to see you have left us but am secure in the knowledge that we will see you again in a much better place. May you rest in peace until then.

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Daniel - you will be missed. With love from Poland - Iwona and Adam (with kids)

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Counting the days until we see you again, in Heaven. Your parting from us saddens us so. But, we know you continue on the other side of the Horizon. With Love, Jeannie*

January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM