



## Daniel Ray Head

March 13, 1940 - June 23, 2023

Services for Daniel Ray Head, 83, of Tyler, will be held on Friday, June 30, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. Head passed away Friday, June 23, 2023 in the comfort of his home in Tyler. He was born March 13, 1940 in Murchison to Watson Daniel Head and Rozena Ballard Head.

Daniel graduated from Athens High School in 1958. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in January of 1959. He served in Frankfurt, Germany for his first two years. Next, he served at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene, Texas from 1961- January of 1965. Daniel then served in Vietnam for one year. After Vietnam, he served at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas for 18 months. From there, he served at RAF Chicksands in England from June 1967- June 1971. He returned to the states to serve at the Pentagon from June 1971- June 1976. Following his service at the Pentagon, he went to Buckley A.N.G. Base in Aurora, Colorado from July 1976 until he retired as Master Sergeant on August 1, 1980. Following his retirement, Daniel and his family moved to Tyler, Texas where he lived the remainder of his life. While living in Tyler, Texas, he worked for the Ward Exploration Company for several years. After his years with Ward Exploration, he opened the computer repair

department with Best Buy. His final career journey led him to work in the Smith County IT Department where he was instrumental in bringing the computer department in house for the Smith County IT Department in 2006. After his retirement, he continued to work part time for the Smith County IT Department.

Daniel was preceded in death by his father, Watson Daniel Head, his mother Rozena Ballard Head, and his brothers William Lee Head and Roy Don Head. He is survived by his loving family including his wife, Martha Riddle Head and his two sons, Daniel Alan Head and Michael Kevin Head; his 5 grandchildren, Heather Spencer, Melissa Danielle Janezich, Andrew Head, William Daniel Head, and Ricky Poblete; his 14 great-grandchildren; and special longtime friend Max Scott; and many others.

Pallbearers will be William Daniel Head, David Allen, Ross Janezich, Ricky Poblete, David Nichols II, and Andrew Head.

With deep gratitude to Dr. George Plotkin; Dr. Jeffery Carr; Tobias Rebmann ACNP, MSN; and Dr. Yvonne Baum.

Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 29, 2023 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler.

Daniel will be especially remembered for his strength and integrity, his kind heart towards others, and the amazing man we all admired, loved, and adored. He will also be remembered for his protective nature of his family circle.

If desired, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Alliance of Smith County, 3531 S Broadway Ave, Tyler, Tx 75701 ([www.alzalliance.org](http://www.alzalliance.org)).



# Cemetery Details

## Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Avenue  
Tyler, TX 75703

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 29.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Service

**JUN 30.** 2:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



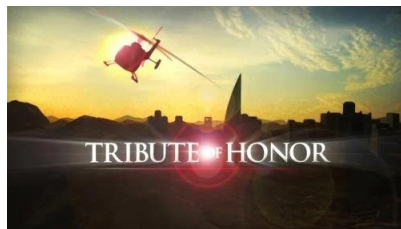
“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Daniel Ray Head



Stewart Family Funeral Home - June 30, 2023 at 02:28 PM



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Daniel Ray Head



Stewart Family Funeral Home - June 28, 2023 at 03:09 PM

CF

*Sending love and prayers to all the family!*

Catherine Ferguson - July 05, 2023 at 01:38 PM

DB

“ I am the IT Director for Smith County and had the privilege to work with Dan during his "retirement" time. I attended the funeral today and wasn't aware of his incredible military service - probably because he was a very humble person. I got to know Dan not only as an employee but also as a friend. There was no one that worked harder than Dan and he had a servant's heart and was always humble. He will be remembered here fondly, and we often talk about the adventures we had in the early days of the IT team here. We'll miss you Dan!

Don Bell - June 30, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Ray Head.



June 29, 2023 at 01:53 PM

LV

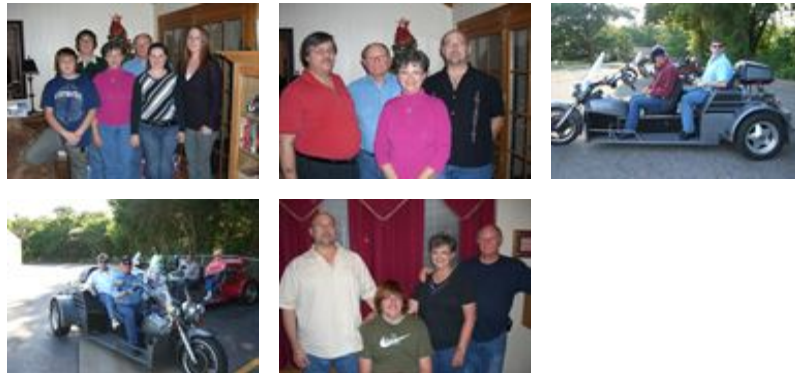
“ Lorena Powers- Vasquez purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Daniel Ray Head.



Lorena Powers- Vasquez - June 28, 2023 at 11:40 PM



“ 78 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - June 28, 2023 at 03:04 PM

BW

“ *Martha and Family,*

*Bill and I are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May the Lord bless you and give you strength.*

*Dan was a good person and good friend. Bill and I feel very fortunate to have shared many years of friendship and many miles of riding motorcycles on group rides with you and Dan and other friends. His keen sense of humor always made riding more enjoyable and interesting.*

*Memories of Dan will always be a reminder of how much fun we all had together. He will be sorely missed.*

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**Bill & Rachel Wilson** - June 28, 2023 at 12:48 PM

BK

“ *Billy, Edith and Kids purchased the Divine Light for the family of Daniel Ray Head.*



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**Billy, Edith and Kids** - June 28, 2023 at 11:03 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Ray Head.*



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June 28, 2023 at 10:06 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Daniel Ray Head.*



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June 27, 2023 at 09:55 AM

GR

“ *You were a great person, a wonderful friend and a great grandfather to Jennifer who never had a real grandfather.  
We will always Love you and miss you  
Thanks for being part of our lives  
Gloria, Jennifer & Jim Reeves*

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**Gloria Reeves** - June 26, 2023 at 10:11 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Ray Head.*



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June 26, 2023 at 08:58 PM



“ *Jose, Blanca, Alex and Danny Vasquez purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Daniel Ray Head.*



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**Jose, Blanca, Alex and Danny Vasquez** - June 25, 2023 at 08:32 PM