



## Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman

May 10, 1952 - May 15, 2024

Services for Danny Joe Freeman, 72, of Tyler will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Sands Springs Baptist Church, 3208 County Road 2330, in Mineola with Brother Jim Parker and Brother David Crain officiating. Burial will follow at Pilgrim Rest #2 Cemetery in Golden under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Dan passed away at Christus Trinity Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler, Texas on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, after a short but brave fight with Hodgkins Lymphoma. Dan was born on May 10, 1952, in Snyder, Texas to Horace Coleman Freeman and Wanda June (Snowden) Freeman. He graduated from Odessa High School in 1970 where he was a proud member of the Broncos Marching band and could often be seen riding to school on his bicycle with his tuba around his neck. He married his high school sweetheart Kathy Jo (Gandy) Freeman on July 3, 1970. Dan accepted the Lord as his Savior in 1971 and attended Calvary Baptist Church in Odessa. After completing Welding Trade School at Midland Community College, he began his own business, Dan's Welding and Fabrication. In 1992 he and his wife moved their family of four to East Texas. It was while in East Texas he coupled his experience in the welding and trucking industry to begin a Transportation Company, (D&K Transportation) that he and Kathy built from the ground up and grew to success over the next 20 years, retiring in 2018.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Kenneth Lee Freeman. He is survived by his loving family including his wife of fifty-four years, Kathy Jo (Gandy) Freeman; children, Danna Jo (Freeman) Walden and husband Eric II, Kathryn Jo (Freeman) Pratt and husband Matthew; grandchildren, Eric "Tripp" Walden III, Hadley Grace Walden, Sophia Anne Pratt, and Olivia Kate Pratt.

Pallbearers are Eric Walden, II, Matthew Pratt, Eric "Tripp" Walden, III, Richard Jones, Gordon Hamessley, and Micah Walden. Honorary pallbearers are Ronald Smelly, C.A. Popejoy, and Greg Howard.

Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2024, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler.

If desired, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 20. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

MAY 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

Sand Springs Baptist Church  
3208 County Road 2330  
Mineola, TX 75773

## Graveside Service

MAY 21 (CT)

Pilgrim Rest No. 2 Cemetery  
205 County Road 2376  
Alba, TX 75410

*Following Service*

# Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman



Stewart Family Funeral Home - May 18, 2024 at 05:27 PM

SH

Love and hugs for the family, prayers of comfort and for strength during your time of loss. The Fullers

sherry - May 20, 2024 at 09:28 PM

OS

“ So sorry to hear about the home going of my friend. You are in our prayer and thoughts Katie Jo. Owen and Sharon Sharp

Owen Sharp - May 24, 2024 at 09:46 PM

DG

“ Dale and Gordy purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman.



Dale and Gordy - May 20, 2024 at 02:44 PM

CA

“ *Cooks Ranch Homeowners Assn purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman.*



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**Cooks Ranch Homeowners Assn** - May 19, 2024 at 08:29 PM

LB

“ *Love, Tim and Becky Batt purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman.*



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**Love, Tim and Becky Batt** - May 18, 2024 at 06:06 PM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman.*



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May 18, 2024 at 02:24 PM



“ 167 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - May 18, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray* was purchased for the family of Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman.



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May 17, 2024 at 01:43 PM



“ *Love, Bear, Amber and the boys* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman.

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**Love, Bear, Amber and the boys** - May 17, 2024 at 01:43 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of  
Danny Joe "Dan" Freeman.*



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May 17, 2024 at 11:24 AM