



Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes

January 9, 1950 - October 23, 2017

Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes, 67, of Tyler, died peacefully on Monday, October 23, 2017, surrounded by his loving family after a valiant battle with cancer.

Dan was born January 9, 1950 in Tyler to the late Dr. Berman Fielder Shieldes and Beatrice Mary Zwan Shieldes. He was a loving father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and son. Most of all, he was a man of strong and abiding faith in Jesus Christ and his Roman Catholic Church. Dan was a lifelong member of The Cathedral of Immaculate Conception. He attended St. Gregory Catholic School, graduated from Tyler Catholic High School and attended Tyler Junior College.

Dan managed Airbank Travel Agency in Houston for 6 years and, subsequently, owned and managed multiple travel agencies throughout East Texas and Dallas. He founded Travel Banque in 1976 and oversaw its successful operation for 20 years. His career also encompassed mortgage banking as well as sales management for Silverleaf Resorts.

Dan had varied interests and was affiliated with many local organizations such as the Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce, the Tyler Aviation Area Chamber, and the Airport Board of the City of Tyler Aviation. He was Wing Leader and

XO of the Lone Star Wing of Confederate Air Force, a member of the Historical Association Memorial Museum, and was 4th Degree in the Knights of Columbus. He was a member of the Eisenhower Classic Society and Chairman of the UT-Tyler Patriot Million Dollar Hole-In-One Scholarship Benefit.

He is survived by his devoted family including his daughter, Carrie Anne Shieldes Moore and husband Chris; his brothers, Timothy B. Shieldes, and John N. Shieldes; his sister Kathy Shieldes Harry and husband Kent; his grandchildren, Colton Daniel Shieldes, Camille Catherine Moore, and John Cooper Moore.

A rosary, officiated by Rev. Joe Nasser S.J., will be held at 4:00pm with a visitation following from 5:00pm until 7:00pm on Sunday, October 29, 2017 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler. A Requiem Mass will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 423 S. Broadway Avenue, Tyler, on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 10am with a reception to follow at the Cathedral Center.

Dan valued his many friendships. Dedicated to their friend and serving as Honorary Pallbearers are, his grandson, Colton Shieldes, Loren Bennett, Jim Breaux, Galloway Calhoun, Alan Decker, David Decker, Don Garrett, Greg Harry, Tony Hawes, Michael Kamel, Charles Khan, Michael Mahfood, Paul Montandon, George Naman, Fred Reggie, Randy Roberts, David Saller , Jason Shieldes, Chris Simons, J.B. Smith, Melvin "Tank" Townsend, Brian Tuttle, Jim VanDeventer, Chris Woldert, Al Zwan, and Ed Joseph Zwan.

Memorials may be made to St. Gregory Cathedral School Tuition Endowment, 500 S. College Ave., Tyler, TX 75702; The Hamm Aviation Museum, 150 Airport Dr., Tyler, TX 75702; UT Tyler Patriots, 3900 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75799; The Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler,

TX 75701 or to the charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Rosary

OCT **29**. 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

OCT **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Requiem Mass

OCT **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
423 S. Broadway
Tyler, TX 75702

Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - October 29, 2017 at 05:04 PM

AS

“ It is with very heavy heart that I share this note of condolence to Danny's family and all of those whose lives he touched. He was a true friend and supporter of the Doyle Family during our troubles and losses, as well as the many good times we shared. I had a particularly special relationship with Danny as we were high school sweethearts, and he was loved by not only me, but by our whole family. His gregarious laugh will forever be in our hearts nor forgotten. Danny, you will be missed. Our deepest sympathies to Tim, Kathy, Johnny and Carrie Anne from the 'Doyle kids' ~ Love always ~ Anne -- with Karen, Marilyn & Bobby

Anne Doyle Storey - November 10, 2017 at 11:28 AM

TH

“ Dan was a good friend and blessed everyone he met with love and laughter. I don't recall every knowing a kinder or more generous soul ... He will be sorely missed but his memory will always bring a smile and laughter to those who knew him .. Congratulations to Dan on a life well lived!

Tony Hawes - October 30, 2017 at 09:23 AM

BR

“ *The Shieldes family lived in the 1950s at the corner of Blackwell and Lake in Tyler as did our family. My sisters Kathy and Dolores and brother Gerald and I spent countless hours playing with the Shieldes kids, including Danny. Wonderful memories of all the fun we had growing up together. Great guy. The world is a little worse off as a result of the loss of this man.*

Bob Russell from San Diego, CA

Bob Russell - October 29, 2017 at 08:03 PM

SJ

“ *I met Dan when I worked for a local law firm and then years later I worked with him in the mortgage business. In all those years Dan was a true southern gentleman. He showed compassion when others showed disdain. He showed love when others had hate and anger. Dan was a gentle caring Christian who will be missed My sympathies to his family*

Shanan Scarborough Jones - October 29, 2017 at 06:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes.*



October 29, 2017 at 12:46 AM



“ *Dan Shieldes was one of the first business leaders I met upon my arrival in Tyler. He was involved in all aspects of Tyler business and I used his travel agency to lall my travel.
Later, he helped bring commuter air service to Tyler with Conquest Air which we all used to go to Austin....He helped make Tyler a great town and shared his wit and wisdom to all.
He will be missed....God Bless him and his Family!*

William Bellenfant - October 28, 2017 at 05:56 AM

MC

*Danny will be surely missed. My deepest condolences to his family and friends.
Classmate, Maria Carvajal Carbajal- Houston , TX.*

maria carvajal carbajal - November 02, 2017 at 08:42 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes.*



October 27, 2017 at 07:24 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes.*



October 26, 2017 at 10:54 PM

KP

“ I have nothing but wonderful memories of Dan. He became very close to my father during the million dollar hole in one contests. They were very good friends and had a lot of good times and laughs. I lost my father in 1997 to lung cancer and Dan had a scholarship put in place at UT Tyler named the Tommy Lee scholarship in memory of my father. My deepest sympathy to his family.

Kristi Lee Pierce - October 26, 2017 at 10:05 PM

MH

“ I loved the Shieldes family so much. We would spend every weedend with them and the Pat Khan family...all during our St. Gregory days and into high school. I was telling Danny about the plum jam your Mom would make and give my Dad a jar. He would share, but we were very careful not to take too much. The salads with mint, the kibbie that I loved, and asked your Grandmother when she lived in Atlanta to make it for me...I know it took her a long time but it was delicious. What a wonderful family and such happy memories of another time. Carrie, he spoke of you so often and how proud he was of you. Please stay in touch...Kathy, Johnny and Tim....you are all part of my history. May God be with you and comfort you in His love.

Mary Ann Jackson-Harvey

mary ann harvey - October 26, 2017 at 02:43 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes.



October 26, 2017 at 02:33 PM

FS

“ Faculty and Staff of St. Gregory Cathedral School purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes.



Faculty and Staff of St. Gregory Cathedral School - October 26, 2017 at 02:11 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Wilbur Daniel "Dan" Shieldes.



October 25, 2017 at 07:02 PM

MC

“ Deapest sympathy and prayers for the Shieldes Family. Remembering good times from my youth in looking up to Danny as a leader and role model. May the footprints he leaves behind set others on the right path.
Mike Chrietzberg

Mike Chrietzberg - October 24, 2017 at 10:55 PM



when Dan would have a problem whether it be a leaky commode or leaky faucet a electrical problem he would always call me or a leaky roof. God Speed

Charles Kelly - October 26, 2017 at 10:43 PM

TA

“ Growing up next door to the Shieldes family all my life, Danny was one of my older Brothers. We were all one big family and if one of us got in trouble, you can bet Bea or Lucky took control of the situation. In my adult life, Danny you were so nspirational to me in your business career and in your faith. I know you are enjoying your reunion with your mom and dad, and my Mom and dad, but what’s most important, you are walking the streets of gold, hearing the heavenly choir (just wondering if you have them singing any Merle or Charlie Pride yet). Praising God your pain is gone, and you are sitting by the throne of God. I saw the jets fly over the opening of World Series and saw your face smiling. Until we all meet again again my brother, I will always love you. To Kathy, Johnny, Tim and Carrie.... know that you are forever in my prayers. I love you guys!

Teresa Avent - October 24, 2017 at 08:13 PM



“ I'm sorry for loss of my favorite cousins.

A true friend.

A great adviser and mentor back when I started a life in public office. Always honest. Always putting me on the right path.

And, unknown to no one.....the single individual that got the ball going for UT Tyler to become a 4 year university!

He invited me to lunch in his office and had a very polite conversation about the topic before I was elected. He just wanted me to be open minded. The seed was planted then at that lunch.

I will always be grateful for everything Dan provided me as far as unconditional friendship.

Ted

Ted Kamel - October 24, 2017 at 05:59 PM