



## Daniel K. Duncan

January 28, 1955 - May 20, 2010

Daniel K Duncan was born January 28, 1955 in Hillsboro, Oregon just southwest of Portland, Oregon. He was the son of Wesley and Rita Duncan. Dan had an older sister, Peggy Lefebvre of Beaverton, Oregon and a younger brother Randy Duncan of Virginia. Dan married DeAnn Duncan and had two wonderful children Dana and Daniel.

Dan was a hard working man who found his way into Law Enforcement which he made a successful career. He started working as a corrections deputy with the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office, then as a patrol deputy. He worked for Tillamook County for nine years, started a family and served the community with dedication and honor. In 1985 Dan became a patrol officer with the Lake Oswego Police Department. He moved his family back to the valley, settling in Oregon City where he would stay for the next 25 years.

Dan climbed through the ranks of the Lake Oswego Police Department, always working hard and leading with integrity. He developed long lasting relationships with those he worked with, forming a strong family like bond that lasted throughout his 25 years of service. He worked his way up to the position of Chief of Police, where he stayed for the last 7 years of his life. He was a strong leader who led by example, and usually had a big smile on his face. Dan loved being a cop, and appreciated each and every one of his co-workers.

Throughout his 55 years Dan lived life to the fullest. He loved his family, his friends, and enjoyed spending time doing the things he loved with those people. His six grandchildren looked up to and adored him, and they loved spending time with him. He was a mentor, a teacher, and rock of a man. He was a good fisherman, great hunter, and lived to be in the

outdoors. Despite his life being too short, he has left having done it all. He will forever be missed, and there will never be another person like Dan.

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# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 4. 12:00 PM (PT)

Rolling Hills Community Church  
3550 SW Borland Rd  
Tualatin, OR

# Tribute Wall



“ Daniel K. Duncan

January 28, 2023 at 02:51 PM

AT

“ There are several things that I'd like to say first of all it took me a while to write down what all I wanted to say as there were so many emotions that I just could not quite put into words. I married into the Duncan extended family when I married Tony 10 years ago and the love that they had for me and for my kids is an example I hope to strive for. Dan was an amazing police officer, husband, father, grandfather, son and a friend. I can honestly say that he really lived life to the fullest and I felt so blessed to have the Duncan family a part of mine. There are many things that I will miss, but I know he will always be with us. Right now as we speak Tony has a piece of him hunting that big elk he's after. I just want to say thank you for allowing me to know you because you have made me a better person. I love you and will miss you very much.

Amy Timeus - October 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ We'll miss you uncle dan.

Megan Hecht - October 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Cousin Danny you are missed so much. We didnt get to spend alot of time together but every moment was cherished. As soon as you and DeAnne walked into a room everyone couldnt help but smile! You will forever be in my heart! I know you are looking down on the family and will give them guidance in everything they do. I Love You Forever!

Cyndi Duncan - June 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Dear DeAnn & Family,

*The Coleman Family sends love and prayers. We share your loss and pain.*

*Donna Coleman Nelson*

Donna Coleman Nelson - June 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Daniel K. Duncan.

June 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Duncan Family, I will miss Dans big bear hugs and his warm candid smile. He meant so much to me ans I wish could have shared more of my life with him. I physicaly hurt inside when I think of his passing. We are all richer for being blessed to have known him. I have many great memories that no one can take from me for which I am grateful. But most of all he has inspired me to be a better Husband,Father and Human being always putting his family and friends first. I will miss him deeply.All my love and thoughts to all of you and a big hug from 300 miles away! I will keep in touch. Tony Timeus, Gold Beach, OR.

Tony Timeus - June 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FG

“ I will miss Dan for his great smile, humor, professionalism, and good conversation over lunch after our monthly Chief's meetings.

Frank Grace - June 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Chief Dunacan would have been a fine addition to the Baker City Police Department. His memorial service was beautiful and bitter sweet. He was a genuine soul that will clearly be missed by many.

Shannon Regan - June 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Uncle dan, me and my brothers will miss you very much and will never stop loving you, Tell Grammy i said hi :'), we miss you both.

Megan Hecht - June 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ We are going to miss you and your animation.

Doug & Randee Nafziger - June 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VG

“ My deepest sympathy goes out to the family. I know that god has him in his hands.May God be with you and your family.Lots of love veronica and family!

Veronica Gonzalez - June 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Deanna, so sorry to here of dan's passing. He was a great person who taught Bryan and myself how to hunt for those monster bucks. And of corase you gave me good tips as well. Bryan and I could not wait for the camp fire to start, because we could always get a storie from Dan. Peace be with you.

Steve Gardner

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steve gardner - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ I am honored to have known Dan. I met him for the first time on a Sunday afternoon in April of 1979. He made the next 7 weeks a joy to be around for we were roommates together at our basic police class(#84). We graduated on June 1st 1979. I'm sure he will be missed by many.  
With deepest sympathy Deputy Don Dillenbeck, Hood River County Sheriff's Dept.

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Don Dillenbeck - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ I was honored to work with Dan at the City of Lake Oswego. My day was always brightened when I had an opportunity to chat with him. We both had a love for eastern Oregon, I envied him for getting to enjoy Baker. I will miss his jolly smile. It was a pleasure to know you, Dan!

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Bonnie Hirshberger - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ What else can be said, Dan was a great companion and a true friend. My thoughts go out to DeAnn and the rest of his family. He will truly be missed by all that knew him.

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Doug Evans - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ I am priviledged to have known Dan for close to 20 years. I was fortunate to have worked with him as fellow officers in neighboring cities and I considered him a professional mentor. I was even blessed to be able to hunt with he and his family once and I will certainly miss swapping stories with an old friend. Dan was always willing to help out no matter the request and I will truly miss him.  
The Law Enforcement profession lost a great one!  
May God's peace be with you during this time-Jeff

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Jeff Groth - June 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Dan was a good friend to my brothers (David and Doug Nafziger) and my parents (Dan & Jo Nafziger). In the times I saw Dan (with them) he struck me as often laughing, telling a joke (or enjoying one being told on him). He seemed like a lovely, caring, big spirited man. I can only imagine how much he will be missed. My prayers and wishes for some ease in sadness over time are with his family and friends.

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**Daniele Joudene** - June 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ to my brother, I am going to miss you. Thanks for letting me and my family be part of you and your families life.

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**Dave Nafziger** - June 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ We are so saddened by the untimely passing of such a great man. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Royal Kids /Ann Royal ,Terry Bracy and Tammye Canada** - June 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ I really liked talking with Dan when we were at training together or at conferences. He always had a smooth and confident demeanor that left everyone around him more clam and insightful.

*Dan was never afraid to speak his mind but did so in a way that did not hurt others. He was an asset to Law Enforcement throughout the State and will really be missed.*

*Chief Vernon Wells  
Independence Police Department*

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**Vernon Wells** - June 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

“ Dear Pa,

*The day I left the kitchen table, and looked out the window of a black F150, at a little blue ranch house as we drove away, I knew that day, the day that Danny brought me home to meet “the family”, that this was the family I needed to be in. I was amazed first at how you hugged your son and the glimmer in your eye when you talked to him about his day. And when you turned to give me a hug, little did I know the many years I would be encircled in the warm embrace of one of the kindest, open, generous men that I had ever had the privilege of meeting.*

*As I became more a part of this family, I reveled in how you adored your wife. And had learned that the kidding of the smoke detector being the dinner bell, had been a long lasting joke in this family. I loved how DeAnn laid out your clothes, made sure dinner was on the table, and had no problem telling you to “shut your mouth” when you became too surly. I knew that this was a family who understood marriage, the traditional values and the commitment it took to be true partners.*

*I admired the way in which you spoke to your daughter. Who, in a way was more like you than the son who followed in your footsteps, an exterior of toughness, but a warm center that was saved for her closest loved ones; and soon when she was married, I saw how much you loved her and how hard it was for you to let her go.*

*I cried at my wedding when you supported your son, by being his best man. You are and always will be his best friend. I adored how you held our sons, and how you looked at them with pride. They have been blessed with your love, and we will have to do our best to convey how much you impacted their lives, albeit too short. You have left a legacy. One in which my boys will never get to see firsthand.*

*I love you, and will miss you more than I can ever describe. You were a true father to me, loving me unconditionally. You had high expectations of your family, and most of all you modeled the behavior that you expected. You were honest, held integrity, and had a great sense of humor. I know that our family will do our best to keep your image alive, to tell stories of the great times. And to pass on your values everyday we live our lives.*

*Love you so much, forever.*

*Nicole*

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Nicole Duncan - May 31, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WD

“ Dan, you were the greatest son we could ever wish for. We will miss you forever. We love you so much. Keep the angels up in heaven laughing as you always did with us. All our love forever, Mom & Dad

Wes & Rita Duncan - May 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Dan, obviously you will be greatly missed by anyone that knew you. I know you're up scouting out the honey holes for the big buck. In all my future outings, you will be my silent partner. I look forward to hanging out with you on the other side. Oh and by the way, your scuppers will always be bigger and I have cracks in my cement too. Love you buddy. Pete.

Peter LeFebvre - May 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Always in our hearts.

Amanda - May 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I already miss you so much, Dan. Bagged six shad in your honor yesterday using that hot lure you gave me. Thanks for being such a great mentor and friend. See you on the other side.

Jay Weitman - May 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I love Dan Duncan. There are so many reasons. He was so respectful, loving and kind. He had such a sense of humor and made going to the police department like visiting the greatest place in the world. My life is richer for having known him. To the family- Thank you for sharing an outstanding man with the rest of us for so long. He was a joy.

Maleah Hammons - May 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ Dan, thanks for always making me laugh. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Greg Kroeplin - May 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I'm thankful for the advice and kindness Dan showed me in the few conversations I had with him. My thoughts and prayers are with you (family and friends).

Dustin Miller - May 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Dan was a special person. He took his work very seriously, but always made time to play, too. His integrity and humor inspired nothing but admiration. I will miss him.

Rick Bella - May 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Your smiling face and cheerful demeanor will be greatly missed in City Hall. My thoughts and prayers are with his friends and family.

Janice Bader-Reynolds - May 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Dan made a point to meet with me at the Oregon Association of Chief's of Police conference in Seaside in 2009 to congratulate me on becoming Troutdale's Police Chief. We immediately connected due to his terrific sense of humor and although we did not know each other well, it was obvious Dan was a man of deep compassion and most certainly alot of fun to be with. Our loss will be felt by many, but his presence did so much for all the people he touched. I wish Dan's family God's blessings.

Scott Anderson - May 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Dan,

Words are not enough to tell you how much I looked up to you as a father, mentor, and a hero. I only wish I had met you earlier in life and I thank you for sharing your daughter with me. She is my soul mate and I promise you that I will take care of her and your grand babies for the rest of my life. I hope I made you proud as I know I was proud to be your son in law.

Tony

Tony Gonzalez - May 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your special loved one. I am a professional colleague of Dans and have always known him to be a great police officer, Chief and most importantly a good MAN. My family and I are in mourning for you and yours. We will keep you in our prayers. God's peace and comfort be with you all. Sincerely, Brian Martinek and family.

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**Brian J. Martinek** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ On behalf of the members of the Rockaway Beach Police Department, we wish to express our sympathy to the family. Chief Duncan was a great leader and he will be missed.

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**Ed Wortman** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ My wife Ginny and I send our condolences to the family. I will be unable to be at the memorial but want you to know I have many memories of meeting Chief Duncan at State and national police functions. He was an inspiration to all and he will be missed. Ed Wortman, Chief of Police, City of Rockaway Beach.

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**Ed and Ginny Wortman** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Chief Duncan,

*I always have, and will forever know you to be an honorable, professional, selflessly dedicated man who served with honor and courage. Thank you for your friendship and the professional relationship developed over the years.*

*Duncan Family,*

*I pray for healing and am sorrowful for your loss. Thinking of you often and know you'll endure. The strength of your family is a treasure.*

*God Bless,*

*Jon Sassaman*

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**Jonathan M. Sassaman** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ We miss ya Chief. Your smile and sense of humor was always something we always looked forward to at work and something that we'll always look for and sadly never find again. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family

Kevin & Iris McCaleb - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ On behalf of the members of the Hillsboro Police Department we send our deepest condolences. Dan was a great man and Chief and will be missed by all of us.

Chief Lila Ashenbrenner - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ My sympathies and condolences to the family. Dan was a great guy and fun to work with.

Nick Kelsey - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ To the family of Chief Duncan:

*I want you all to know how I, and other agents of the Railroad Police, enjoyed talking and working with this honorable man. The Railroad Police will miss his views on Community Policing and his teamwork efforts.*

*Respectfully,*

*Captain Tom Morrison  
Division Director  
Union Pacific RR Police*

Thomas T. Morrison - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dan, You made us smile and will be greatly missed. You were a loving father, husband, and friend, and we loved you back. Your friends, the Schackart's formerly of Tillamook County Sheriff's Office

Mark and Becky Schackart - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ I know that you are in the minds and prayers of everyone at DPSST during this difficult time. If there is anything that we can do, please let us know.  
Dan was a very special person and a great Chief. He will be missed!

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**Cameron Campbell** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ That which seems to the caterpillar as the end, is, to the butterfly, just the beginning.

*I hope that big ol' butterfly can look down and remember those of us who are still caterpillars :-)*

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**Dan Phillips** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Dan, you were not just a great boss but also mentor and most of all a great friend.  
You will be missed!

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**Darryl Wisley** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Dan you will truly be missed

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**Rachael Diehl** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ Uncle Dan,

*I will carry you with me always. A large hole is left in our family without you. You have given us so much love and laughter. We will never forget. Thank you for the inspiration you gave me in my life. I will always strive to live my life and perform my duties with the same integrity and honor that you have.*

*We love you and miss you.*

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**Kimi** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ It's no surprise to read and hear all the wonderful things about Chief Duncan, I'm just sad I never got to meet him.  
Rest in peace.

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**Heidi Ferguson** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *The world truly lost a hero! It is a pleasure to work side by side with his son. Chief Duncan served well and will always be remembered as a great man!*

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**Bryan & Kendra Rehnberg** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *I miss you daddy! I want you to know that you were the best father and grandpa ever.*

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**Dana Gonzalez** - May 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Daniel K. Duncan*

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**Debby Pease** - May 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM