



Daniel Wheaton

March 20, 2021

A Life Well Lived

Daniel Wake Wheaton

5-23-57 3-20-21

Daniel Wake Wheaton's journey through this life ended peacefully in his home on March 20, 2021. Dan had a challenging year combating his illness and he fought the good fight, but the cancer claimed him in the end.

Dan is survived by his beloved wife Donna Wheaton; his children: Robert Hill, Marilee McCauley, and Ryan Wheaton; his siblings: Lyn McCormick, Terry McHenry, Thomas Wheaton, and Paul Wheaton; and of course, his beloved felines: Cinnamon, Gracie and Dundee.

Dan was loved by many. His calm, cool and collected demeanor made it easy to love and admire him. He was patient, kind, and a great listener. He was introspective and thoughtful, with a keen intelligence that shined brightly in everything he did. He looked at life with a sense of humor and always had a twinkle in his eyes. A committed father and husband, his family and his home were his greatest achievements.

Dan was fortunate to have many opportunities to travel the world with his work as a senior geo-physicist. Dan never said no to an adventure and was always game to see a new place or try something different. Despite his worldliness,

he was most content and proud of the home that he and Donna built. He loved to sit beneath his wisteria covered pavilion with his three cats, happy in his repose, watching the wild birds and listening to the wind in the trees that surround his homestead. He loved nature and was fascinated by the flora and fauna around him. He adored all the pets they shared through the years and was dedicated to the sheer enjoyment of keeping company with his many dogs and cats. Dan was also a rockhound, having studied geology, so the wonders of the earth never failed to fascinate him. With his insatiable curiosity, he spent hours examining and analyzing the earth's treasure and enjoyed sharing his knowledge with people.

Everyone who knew Dan, knew he was a dedicated Dead head. He loved the Grateful Dead and probably owned every song they ever played. In his final days, the Dead played throughout the house until finally escorting his spirit to the afterlife. In Dan's heaven, he is sitting around with his cats and dogs, and jamming with Jerry Garcia amidst the woodlands and the wild creatures. With his easygoing style he carried himself with grace and fortitude. Dan saw life as an adventure, he knew it was all about the journey. His was a good one. And he was grateful.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Daniel's memory to the American Council on Renewable Energy - A link to donate may be found on the bottom of their website home page at www.acore.org

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Magnolia Funeral Home
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<https://magnoliafunerals.com>

Tribute Wall

PJ

“ I dated Danny for 2 years in college. Of course, we thought we were together forever. I miss him even to this day. I'm glad he found happiness and peace. God bless his good wife and beautiful family. I will never forget Danny. 💕

Paula Crossin Jacobs - October 11, 2023 at 09:25 PM

PJ

My favorite memories of Danny are us hiking the Appalachian Trail up to Sunrise Lake. You could drink the water back then. We took canoes down the Delaware, camping along side many streams. Danny could do anything; pitch a tent in the dark! He would fix the hole in his Maverick exhaust pipe with a Progresso soup can. We ate the wild blueberries along the trail and at one point came across a rattlesnake. All we did was camp. So much fun. 💔

Paula Crossin Jacobs - October 21, 2023 at 08:54 PM

SM

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suzanne mcdonald - July 13, 2021 at 07:14 AM

SM

Danny as a geology student 1980 RIP Danny Thank you

suzanne mcdonald - July 13, 2021 at 07:19 AM



Yup. That's the Dan I remember ...Great guy!

Christopher James - May 10, 2023 at 03:23 AM

PJ

This is the way I remember Danny. 💕

Paula Crossin Jacobs - October 11, 2023 at 09:27 PM

SM

“ *RIP Danny and Thankyou*

suzanne mcdonald - July 12, 2021 at 09:05 PM

 Georgia Savas

just as i remember him--what a beautiful soul. rest in peace, danny...

Georgia Savas - July 17, 2021 at 01:09 PM

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suzanne mcdonald - July 17, 2021 at 02:46 PM

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“ *I enjoyed many fun lunch discussions with Dan at TGS. He always brought an interesting point of view to many a topic. Being a fellow cat lover I enjoyed swapping animal stories and hearing about his projects he was working on at his home. He will be greatly missed.*



Trish Sullivan - March 30, 2021 at 09:49 AM

TK

“ Dan,

I was glad to work with you. Your friendly helps are in my memory. I hope Dan's family be comforted by God.

Taejong Kim



Taejong Kim - March 30, 2021 at 09:48 AM

SB

“ Working with Dan was always great fun over the 20 years that I knew him. He was smart and talented in so many different geophysical fields, as well as being great company. I will miss him very much.

Simon Baldock - March 30, 2021 at 08:59 AM

HR

“ What a loss for Donna and family and us that was lucky enough to be Dan's friends and coworkers
From the first ride in the mood-mobile - a van with lights in the ceiling, to the last ride listening to boot leg recordings of bluegrass on a cassette (2019)
Dan was always fun and good company
It is a big loss and I am sad not to be able to be at the service. I am sure Dan is listening to Good music and splitting everything he can into frequency bands



Henrik roende - March 30, 2021 at 04:01 AM

SH

“ Sandra Hathaway lit a candle in memory of Daniel Wheaton



Sandra Hathaway - March 29, 2021 at 07:46 PM

AW

“ I had the honor of working with Dan last year (2020), although it was only a short period (about 6 months), we worked closely on one project. Dan was very knowledgeable and made many great contributions to the team. Dan was a great co-worker and we exchanged ideas through many discussions. His work at TGS will not be forgotten.

Allan Willis - March 29, 2021 at 04:43 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Daniel Wheaton.



March 28, 2021 at 10:59 PM

MI

“ Every summer my family would visit Colorado. Uncle Dan and Aunt Donna's house was the first stop on our trip. It was always a great time visiting them in their mountain house. Uncle Dan was quietly welcoming, warm and fun to be around. He seemed to live with great peace - which is no easy task. Thank you for what you gave this world. Love you, Uncle Dan!

Mike - March 27, 2021 at 10:44 PM

JS

“ It has been a great pleasure and honor working with Dan. We worked together on quite some projects. He never hesitated to share his knowledge and expertise; and he always asked the crucial questions. It is due to him that we found the key issue with the deblending module, which is his last project. Dan, you will be missed. Dan, your contribution will live on.

Jun Sun - March 26, 2021 at 12:35 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Daniel Wheaton.



March 25, 2021 at 10:31 PM

CR

“ I had the honor of working with Dan at TGS. He was a knowledgeable, smart geophysicist and very thorough in his work. We shared many good discussions, and it was always interesting to listen to his point of view to a problem. Dan was a kind person who was always willing to share his knowledge. He will be missed.

Cristina Reta-Tang - March 25, 2021 at 09:37 PM

TC

“ TGS friends and colleagues purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Daniel Wheaton.



TGS friends and colleagues - March 25, 2021 at 03:42 PM

JB

“ Jennifer Bross lit a candle in memory of Daniel Wheaton



Jennifer Bross - March 24, 2021 at 08:55 AM

RW

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Ron White - March 23, 2021 at 02:57 PM

PJ

An amazing video of an absolutely amazing Man, loved and honored by All who had the pleasure of knowing him. With love for you and Donna forever 💕

Penny and Jerry - March 29, 2021 at 10:19 AM



Great video tribute! Thank you

Christopher James - May 10, 2023 at 07:25 AM

BE

“ Dan had a great sense of humor,he laughed at my silly jokes.His love for music,introduced me to songs I had never heard before.I shared his love for rocks ,and was always impressed that he was a geologist, and I probably bugged him about,what kind of rock is this question.He was a good and caring man who loved and took care of my big sister and Robert and Ryan. Dan will be missed by all.



Betsy - March 23, 2021 at 12:57 PM

WH

“ Dan was an intelligent, kind, and patient man. He and Donna shared many adventures together as they traveled the world. He provided a stable home on several continents for Donna, Ryan, and Robert. He was a caring father and brilliant man. We love you, Dan, and will miss you every day.



Wendy Heath - March 23, 2021 at 10:49 AM

FM

“ Dan, you are a nice person, and we had a good time when working together. I am shocked and feel really sad for your passing away.

Frank Meng - March 23, 2021 at 10:28 AM