



Daniel Joseph Serviss

September 18, 1968 - June 21, 2016

Albany-Daniel Joseph Serviss, 47, passed suddenly at Albany Medical Center on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 after a brief illness. Born in Fort Huachuca, AZ at the US Army base, he was the beloved son of Richard and Ellen Healy Serviss of Fort Myers, FL and formerly Colonie, NY.

Dan was a 1986 graduate of Colonie Central High School and graduated from Hudson Valley Community College in 1991 with a degree in Criminal Justice. He completed a twenty year career with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services at the Tryon Residential Center and Brookwood Secure Center where he was known for his integrity and respected by many people. Since 2014 Dan was employed by Statewood Properties in Albany and Latham as Contractor Coordinator/Property Manager where his construction expertise and vision were honored and valued.

Dan deeply loved his family and was enormously proud of his greatest accomplishment, his daughter Afton.

His family is grateful to him for being our rock for so many years, for finishing the fixer upper at Brant Lake, and for bringing so many wonderful friends into our lives. Some people tell stories. Dan lived the story. And he didn't care how you peeled the banana; he just wanted the banana.

He was the beloved husband of 16 years of Susan Hager Serviss; cherished father of Afton Serviss; brother of Eric Serviss (Jennifer), Philip Serviss, and Catherine Taylor (Shawn); uncle of PFC Liam Serviss, US Army National Guard, Emma Serviss, Kayla Serviss, Kristen Serviss, Cayman Serviss-Ziegler and Ethan Taylor; son-in-law of Richard and Mary Hager of Ravena.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Dan's family Friday, June 24, 2016 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

Funeral services Saturday, June 25, 2016 9:00 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, Albany thence to the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Selkirk at 10:00 am.

Interment will immediately follow the church service at Elmwood Cemetery, Selkirk.

In lieu of flowers the family would like you to consider a donation in Dan's memory to the Edward J. Szesnat Memorial Scholarship Fund, South Colonie Dollars for Scholars, Inc., PO Box 12413, Albany, NY 12212-2413- or Southcolonie.dollarsforscholars.org

To leave the family a special message, light a candle, obtain directions or view other helpful services please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

922 9W
Selkirk, NE 12158

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 24. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
208 N Allen St
Albany, NY 12206
(518) 489-0188
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com
<http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com>

Service

JUN 25. 10:00 AM (ET)

First Reformed Church of Bethlehem
38 Church Road
Selkirk, NE 12158

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Daniel Joseph Serviss*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - June 23, 2016 at 10:42 AM



“ *Daniel Joseph Serviss*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *My sincere condolences for your lost, may the words at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort during this time "He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."*

Montana - July 12, 2016 at 08:34 PM



“ *To all of Dan's family-
I wish to express my deepest condolences in losing such a great guy--
He will be missed by all who knew him-
My deepest sympathies-
Anthony DePasquale*

Anthony DePasquale - June 27, 2016 at 05:49 PM

RS

“ To Susan, Afton and the relatives of Dan,

The Smith family wishes to express our deepest sympathies to both Afton and you Susan, along with the rest of Dan's family and relatives.

We realize what an incredible tragedy and loss this is for both of you and offer our prayers that God may bless you with strength, comfort and peace during this very difficult time in your lives.

We also pray that God has welcomed Dan into his Kingdom and that he now watches over and guides you and Afton.

God bless Dan, you and Afton.

respectfully,

Alyssa, Amanda, Beth and Bob

robert smith - June 25, 2016 at 09:14 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Daniel Joseph Serviss.*



June 24, 2016 at 01:25 PM

PV

“ Susan, I was very sorry to learn of Dan's passing. While I never had the opportunity to meet Dan, I know he must have been a special individual by the way you spoke of him. His efforts in re-doing the "Brant Lake fixer-upper" were readily apparent as we drove by. I regret that I was able to join you at Mc Veigh's today but I was called into duty to babysit my grandchildren today. Again, my deepest condolences. Please let me know if I may be of assistance to you. Paul

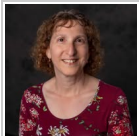
Paul Vergoni - June 24, 2016 at 07:35 AM

KR

“ To our brother from another mother - we will miss you!



Kristi - June 23, 2016 at 08:07 PM



“ Susan, No words can express how sorry i am to hear what happened. You and your Afton will be in my prayers.
Ramona Emery

Ramona Emery - June 23, 2016 at 06:51 PM

JC

“ Danny,
My Brother, I say Brother because growing up only a Brother could tolerate my temper, and my bad pitching and my social awkwardness and never complain, A friend would not have supported and stood by my side the way Danny did. Dan accepted me for who I was as I did him. The summers we spent playing baseball, football, hanging out going on trips with Ellen, Rich, Eric and Phil. I felt a welcome member in the Serviss household and I spent at least one full summer there. Dan would always be there as a Brother would. I was thrilled to be there when He and Susan were married . To witness two beautiful people give themselves to each other was an Honor.

We didn't spend as much time together after High school but Dan was always in my thoughts . It was wonderful in recent years to start hanging out again to meet Afton whom Dan Cherished, and eventually go on a Florida vacation together. Dan was great at busting chops and never held back what he felt. Dan was a true Champion of a Man, My heart goes out to his Family . Farewell to you my Brother I hope you are at Peace .

Jimmy Coffey

James Coffey - June 23, 2016 at 05:50 PM

LP

“ *Thinking of you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

Lisa & Billy Ploss - June 23, 2016 at 01:45 PM

SJ

“ *The earth lost a shining star when Dan went to Heaven. He was one of the kindest, funniest, hard-working, caring, dedicated & loyal people I have ever had the privilege of knowing, working with & calling a friend. The loss is still incomprehensible for me because he was always SO alive, healthy & strong. Afton, please know your dad was a true, real life superhero. When my niece was a little girl, she used to think he looked & acted like Mr. Incredible because he was so strong and helpful, and he fixed things for us. He made lives better just by being there, and being Dan. I am so sorry for your loss. I hope you find comfort & healing in knowing how much Dan meant to so many. And I hope you find peace in knowing how much he loved you.*

Sharon Jocelyn - June 23, 2016 at 01:18 PM

MF

Sue, I am certainly saddened at the news of your husband Dans sudden passing. Please accept my sincere condolences and prayers for you and Afton. May the lord be at your side now and in the days ahead.

Mary Ellen Ferguson

Mary Ellen Ferguson - June 23, 2016 at 04:14 PM



“ *My condolences to the Serviss family, and I'm sorry that I can't be there to pay my respect in person. I was partnered with Dan for a short while at Brookwood, and enjoyed our working relationship...he was a good partner. What I enjoyed more was our extracurricular activities at Sadie's, being invited to the lake house a few times, and most of all Dan's sense of humor, always there! RIP Amigo. Ray Lonis*

Ray Lonis - June 23, 2016 at 01:07 PM

ME

“ Su, Afton & the Serviss family - Our hearts are filled with sorrow upon hearing the news of Dan's passing. Our sincere condolences go out to you and your family. Please know that you are surrounded by love and am praying for God's guidance to help you through this terrible loss. May Dan rest in eternal peace. Love, Michelle Pigaga Eppink & family

Michelle Pigaga Eppink - June 23, 2016 at 01:01 PM

CL

“ I am so sorry for your loss, Susan. My thoughts and prayers are will you and Afton.

Cathy Laccetti - June 23, 2016 at 12:59 PM

SK

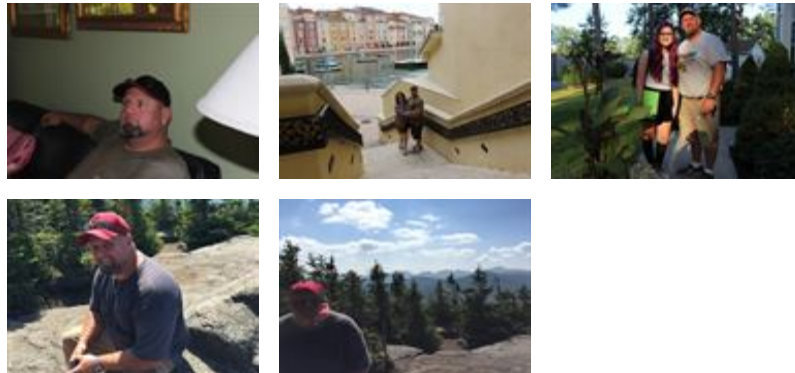
“ Sorry for your loss
Nancy and Frank Valenti



sandra kern - June 23, 2016 at 10:43 AM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - June 23, 2016 at 10:18 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Joseph Serviss.



June 23, 2016 at 10:09 AM



“ Susan, thinking of you and your family during this difficult time.

Janet Faraone

Janet Faraone - June 23, 2016 at 09:36 AM



“ Susan and Afton,
So sorry to hear of your loss. I am thinking of you. My prayers are going out to you and your family.

Antonia Bradley - June 23, 2016 at 09:28 AM

AT

“ Susan and Afton,

Words cannot express my sadness at your loss. Though I didn't know Dan well, I could see the love and pride he had for his family. You both will remain in my thoughts. May Dan's abiding love give you strength during this difficult time.

*Sincerely,
Anne Turner*

Anne Turner - June 23, 2016 at 08:32 AM

TE

“ Dear Susan,

I am very sorry for your loss. My prayers go out to you and your family during this difficult time.

- Theresa Eames

theresa eames - June 23, 2016 at 08:32 AM

 Lee
Rowe

“ Susan and Afton,

We are so saddened by this devastating news. Becky remarks so fondly of her weekend at the Lake house, and of how nice and friendly Dan was to her and all Afton's friends. And his willingness and enthusiasm when completing the Adirondack Adventure course with them. Dan and your whole family welcomed mine warmly and genuinely when we came to pick her up. Thank you and many thoughts, love, and prayers to you both and your family.

-Lee Rowe

Lee Rowe - June 23, 2016 at 07:32 AM



“ Sue, Afton & the entire Serviss Family,
We're so sorry for your loss. Dan was a great guy & will be missed
by many. Thoughts & prayers to your family at this difficult time.
Leah, Randy & Kelsey Simonian

Leah Simonian - June 23, 2016 at 07:22 AM



“ We met Dan when Dan, Susan & Afton lived down the street and
Dan was actively involved in his Lawn Serviss company. Dan & his
crew would mow and I would practice piano. One day, Dan
approached me to talk about Afton taking piano lessons. Since then
I've taught Afton piano, included her in two of my musical
productions, because she has a beautiful singing voice, and my
husband and I have been very invested in the Serviss family. They
are each beautiful in their own way. Dan was a great guy and a very
good friend to me. I will miss him very much. With love to Susan
and Afton, Christy D'Ambrosio and Ray Newkirk

Christy D'Ambrosio - June 23, 2016 at 07:07 AM



“ God bless his soul. May he rest in peace and now he is in good
hands...

Jessica - June 23, 2016 at 12:51 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Friends and Family



Ken - June 22, 2016 at 10:11 PM

CG

“ Sending our prayers and condolences. He was a great person with a big heart. I will never forget him and we were grateful that he was able to come our wedding. I know he will be looking down on us. God has gained another angel. And to Afton, just know that your dad will never leave your side. God bless the Serviss family and friends.

*Love and prayers to all
Chris and Olga Gulota*

Chris Gulotta - June 22, 2016 at 09:49 PM

SK

“ Our hearts go out to the Serviss family.
Richard and Sandy Kern

sandra kern - June 22, 2016 at 09:05 PM

TM

“ I was so saddened to hear this news. Sending love to Afton and your family.
Tracy Martone, Westmere

tracy martone - June 22, 2016 at 08:06 PM

BS

“ There really are no words...I am so sorry.

Becky

becky smith - June 22, 2016 at 07:35 PM



“ *Susan,*

My heart aches for you and Afton. My thoughts and heart are with you.

Lynn Crocetta

Lynn Moskowitz Crocetta - June 22, 2016 at 07:16 PM



“ *Dear Susan:*

I am very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Ying Burkitt

Ying Burkitt - June 22, 2016 at 06:55 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear about Danny! He was a great guy. Our condolences to the entire family! May he rest in peace. Love, the DiNovo family*

Robin and Rob DiNovo - June 22, 2016 at 05:03 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about Dan. You and Afton are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Sue Moreno - June 22, 2016 at 03:34 PM

SM

“ As our CCHS Class of 86 30 Year reunion quickly approaches, you have much love and support and sympathy coming from so many of us! We are so sorry to learn about Dan's passing and are here for all of you! With our deepest sympathy!

Sheelah Malagrida - June 22, 2016 at 02:58 PM

AS

“ Susan and Afton, Please accept my deepest sympathies at this most difficult time. Rejoice in all the happy memories you have of this wonderful man. My heart aches for you. You are in my thoughts and prayers, April Speed



April Speed - June 22, 2016 at 02:32 PM

JW

“ Dear Susan,
I am very sad to hear about the passing of your husband. Your family is in my prayers. May God look over your daughter and you.

Sincerely,
Jean Wieland

Jean Wieland - June 22, 2016 at 02:12 PM

JH

“ My heart goes out to you and Afton during this difficult time.

Jackie Huertas



Jackie Huertas - June 22, 2016 at 01:49 PM

CB

“ Susan, I'm so sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and Afton and sending prayers. Cori Beck

Cori Beck - June 22, 2016 at 01:48 PM

CY

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to you, Susan, and your family at this time. I am so sorry to hear of your loss.
Catherine

Catherine Yerdon - June 22, 2016 at 01:32 PM

MY

“ My heart goes out to you all. Afton, I am sending you so much love right now. You are in my prayers. - Mickey Young

Mickey Young - June 22, 2016 at 01:03 PM

CB

“ I would like to share my deepest condolences to the Serviss family. Afton, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. God bless your father, Daniel Serviss and your family. Corina Baugh



Corina Baugh - June 22, 2016 at 12:58 PM

PS

Dear Sue so sorry to hear of Danny'Sullivan passing sending prayers and deepest condolences to you and Afton and my cousin Ellen and Richie. Love cousin Phyllis Smith

Phyllis Smith - June 22, 2016 at 06:16 PM

VS

To Dan's loving family:

Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for the loss of your beloved Dan. Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time of pain and sorrow. Praying that the love of God embraces you during your journey of grief. Wishing you and your loved ones peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories of your beloved Dan to forever hold in your hearts. Sending you peace, prayers and blessings.

Virginia, Saul & family

Virginia & Saul - June 23, 2016 at 06:31 AM

PG

*Deepest sympathies to you Sue and Daughter Afton, although we have never met my heart goes out to you .I live in Florida and know Ellen his Mum. After reading some of these comments I know the apple doesn't fall far from the tree.God Bless you all especially Ellen and Rich to help them through this most difficult time.Love and hugs for very special people
Pearl Greenwald*

Pearl Greenwald - June 23, 2016 at 04:51 PM

SR

*So very sorry to learn of Dan's passing. Heartfelt thoughts, prayers and sympathy to his family and friends.
Sally from Richardsons*

Sally Reckner - June 23, 2016 at 07:13 PM