



# Daniel B. Ferkinhoff

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**D**aniel B. Ferkinhoff, age 78 of Batesville died Friday, April 29, 2011 at St. Andrew's Health Campus. Born October 4, 1932 in Oldenburg, he is the son of Seraphine (Nee: Schulte) and Joseph Ferkinhoff. He married Rita Buschur October 13, 1956 at Holy Family Church in Oldenburg. Dan worked for Margaret Mary Hospital 35 years before retiring in January of 1998. 34 of those years were as maintenance supervisor. He was a member of St. Louis Church, the Knights of Columbus Council #1461 where he served as Grand Knight from 1980 to 1982, the Indiana Engineers Society and the Prell-Bland American Legion Post #271. Dan will most certainly be remembered as a prankster. While his family shared many stories, a favorite of theirs happened one day at work. In the hospital kitchen near where the dishes were cleaned was a drain. Dan poured acid down the drain. As the ladies were cleaning dishes, the fumes melted their pantyhose. His playful personality endeared his employees to him. He was instrumental helping plan the 1971 addition to the hospital. An active member of the Knights of Columbus, he enjoyed the camaraderie and helped plan the construction of the new building. In his free time he liked spending time outdoors fishing, rabbit and squirrel hunting, pitching horseshoes and working at his father's farm. He also liked to follow the Colts and Reds. Dan preferred taking care of his retirement account himself and kept a close eye on the stock market and financial news to make sure he was properly invested. The two qualities his family admired most about him was his willingness to help others (although he himself hated asking for help) and his mind-set to overcome the physical challenges he faced in later years. He is survived by his wife Rita; daughters Lisa Hedge of Indianapolis, Diana Schutte of Batesville, Laura Foster of Van Wert, Ohio, Nancy Craig of Scottsburg, Indiana; sons David of Middletown, Rhode Island, Thomas of Richmond, Indiana; sisters Mary Tekulve of Phoenix, Arizona, Joellen Dietz of Batesville, Donna Schutte of Oldenburg; brother Marvin of Brookville;



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seventeen grandchildren; three great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he is also preceded in death by his brother Clifford. Visitation is Monday, May 2nd, from 4-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services are 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 3rd, at St. Louis Church with Rev. Randy Summers officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery with military graveside rites conducted by the Prell-Bland American Legion Post #271 and Batesville V.F.W. Post #3183. The family requests memorials to St. Louis School Tuition Angels or Gibault School.



## Tribute Wall

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BI

**Bill And Rose Palmby Of Brownsburg, Indiana** posted:

Lisa, Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

May 1 at 8:00 PM

TI

**Tony Koors Of Indianapolis** posted:

Tom & family, very sorry for your loss, Buck was a great man. God Bless!

May 1 at 8:00 PM

BR

**Becky Fehrman Of Rockwall, Tx** posted:

You have my deepest sympathy.

May 1 at 8:00 PM

RS

**Ruth M Dierckman Of Sarasitam FI** posted:

Lisa, I was sorry to hear about the paasing of you dad. I know he was a wonder father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. I am sorry that I am unalble to be there. Once again you have my deepest sympathy.

May 1 at 8:00 PM

TV

**Theresa Meyer Of Versailles** posted:

rita I remember when dan work at the hospital because i worked there in the housekeepeing deptment tell i left and moved to versailles to take care of my mother sorry about your loss and you and your family have are prayer .james and theresa and crystal meyer

May 1 at 8:00 PM

SB

**Stephen O'grady Of Barrington, Ri** posted:

David, Your dad sounded like he was quite a guy and that he left quite a legacy. I hope you find comfort with being at home with your friends and family this week. You are in the thoughts of many back in Rhode Island. Sincerely Steve O'Grady

April 30 at 8:00 PM



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DS

**Deepak + Vyoma Azad Of Scottsburg, In** posted:

Dear Nancy, We are very sorry for the loss of your father. Dad gave a very hard fight. He is at peace. Our thoughts and prayers to you and your family.

April 30 at 8:00 PM

SA

**Sam Mckaig Of Hot Springs Village, Arkansas** posted:

Lisa, My thoughts and prayers are with you, and your family. Love, Sam

April 30 at 8:00 PM

DS

**Deepak & Vyoma Azad Of Scottsburg", In** posted:

Dear Nancy and family. Dad was a wonderful person. He will be missed by all of us and Especially mom. Let's be strong as God is with us.

April 30 at 8:00 PM

NB

**Nelson & Nan French Of Batesville, In** posted:

Rita & family, We were so sorry to hear of Dan's death ... please accept our sympathy. We will miss our visits with him.

April 29 at 8:00 PM

SI

**Sue Moore Of Indianapolis, Indiana** posted:

Lisa-I am so sorry for the loss of your father. I know you said he fought a very hard fight. He is at peace now. My thoughts and prayers to you and your family. Sue Moore

April 29 at 8:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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