



Daniel John Wilson

March 5, 1954 - November 25, 2021

Daniel John Wilson, age 67 of Fort Payne, passed away on Thursday, November 25, 2021. Mr. Wilson was born on March 5, 1954 to Eugene & Pearl Klokow Wilson in Watertown, WI. He was an assistant foreman for the Milwaukee Railroad and a veteran of the United States Navy. He attended Ruhama Baptist Church but was Catholic by faith. Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at the Wilson Funeral Home Chapel with burial following in the Glenwood Cemetery with full military honors. The family will receive friends on Tuesday evening from 4 until 7p.m. at the funeral home. Mr. Wilson is survived by his daughter, Jennifer Parker; mother, Pearl Wilson; sisters, Judy Ludwig and husband, Gary and Susan Wilson; grandchildren, Brendan Parker and Ariel Parker; nephew, Aaron Sterwald; great-nieces, Adria Sterwald and Veda Sterwald; and great-nephew, Jared Sterwald. He was preceded in death by his father, Eugene Wilson; paternal grandparents, Lester & Esther Wilson; maternal grandparents, Herman & Martha Klokow; and nephew, Tyler Sterwald.

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Cemetery

1002 Grand Avenue SW
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 30. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Funeral Home
3801 Gault Ave. N
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Funeral Service

DEC 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My best friend, my inspiration, the most humble & joyful man/grandfather in my life. I know you are a free as a bird now... fly high grandpa 🕊️*



Ariel Wilson / granddaughter - November 29, 2021 at 11:58 PM

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Brendan Parker - November 29, 2021 at 01:08 PM

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Brendan Parker - November 29, 2021 at 01:07 PM

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“ *I meet Java on the USS Forestall back in the 70's. He was married at the time and had a little girl. When I was getting out of the Navy I had a van and helped his wife and daughter move back to Watertown. I meet him through Dave Pauli*

Steve Deneen - November 29, 2021 at 07:23 AM

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“ Steve Deneen lit a candle in memory of Daniel John Wilson



Steve Deneen - November 29, 2021 at 07:17 AM

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“ I meet Dan (Java) while we on the ship Forrestal in Norfolk. At the time he was married to Pat and they had a little girl. I got out in 1976 and had a van and his wife a daughter was moving back to Watertown Wisconsin. Since I was heading home to Michigan we loaded up my van with his motorcycle and apartment and drove it home for them. Dan you were a very nice guy and I know you will be missed by all that you knew

Steve Deneen - November 28, 2021 at 06:47 PM

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“ I've known Java for more than 50 years. He was kind, thoughtful and accepting to all. I remember playing basketball with him. He had good moves and ballhandling skills that allowed him to gracefully make lay ups with ease. He also had a sweet jump shot. That all changed after his accident. In the blink of an eye he was forced to deal with countless surgeries, the halo, wheel chairs, catheters, and hardships that most of us couldn't handle. Yet Java never let all that get to him. He accepted the outcome, retained his love of life, and always had a smile on his face no matter what.

I clearly remember him laying in the hospital with that dang halo screwed into his head. His broken neck required him to lay on his back for months. He couldn't raise his head to see the TV. It was all very depressing. Then I had an idea to raise his spirits. I got a large poster of Heather Locklear in a bikini and attached it to the ceiling directly above his head. He then could stare at her rather than the blank ceiling. I will never forget the smile that came over Java's face. He said "Thanks Charlie" with that big unforgettable Java grin on his face.

Rest in Peace Java

I love you and hope to see you again for a game of hoops.

Charlie Miller

Charles Miller - November 28, 2021 at 10:55 AM