



Daniel Lee Mathews

July 21, 1961 - October 31, 2017

Daniel Lee Mathews, 56, of Fort Payne passed away October 31, 2017 in Fort Payne, Alabama. He was born July 21, 1961 to Edwin and Helen Mathews.

Daniel was employed by the Fort Payne Housing Authority, and served as a Deputy with the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department. He was widely known for his humble and kind spirit, loving heart, easy manner, and an unending willingness to help anyone who needed it, modeling those attitudes in every job or selfless act he ever did.

Funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, November 2nd, at Wilson Funeral Home in Fort Payne. Burial will follow at Walker's Chapel Cemetery. Family will receive friends that day from Noon until time of the funeral.

He is survived by his parents, Edwin and Helen Mathews; children, Colby (Eleanor) Mathews and Skyler Mathews; their mother, Lori King; brother Dennis (Barbara) Mathews; sisters Vicki (Paul) Greene, Janice (Craig) Cook, and Annette (Deon) Wright; many nieces and nephews; his beloved dogs, Jack and Jill.

The family requests donations be made to Alabama Sheriff's Boys and Girls Ranch.

Cemetery Details

Walkers Chapel Cemetery

1411 County Road 118
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

NOV 2. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Daniel Lee Mathews*

January 12, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. Lane, Joanna & Derek Killian*



Lane, Joanna and Derek Killian - November 02, 2017 at 04:58 PM



“ *I attend church with Daniel years ago when we were kids. he was such a kind and considerate person then and throughout the years I would run into him and he always had a smile and a handshake. He was a true christian person and my family will keep his in our prayers.*

Tanja - November 02, 2017 at 01:23 PM



“ *Kim Whittle And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Daniel Lee Mathews*



Kim Whittle and family - November 02, 2017 at 10:44 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Daniel Lee Mathews.*



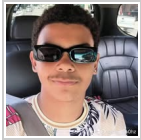
November 02, 2017 at 08:49 AM



“ *David Isbell purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Daniel Lee Mathews.*



David Isbell - November 01, 2017 at 10:24 PM



“ *R.I.P..DANIEL MY GREAT FRIEND U WILL BE MISS!!!! GOD HAS PLANS FOR YOU IN HEAVEN!!!!*

Michael Newley - November 01, 2017 at 10:00 PM



“ *Charlotte Simpson Campbell lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Mathews*



Charlotte Simpson Campbell - November 01, 2017 at 09:50 PM

JS

“ Jeffrey And Beverly Smith lit a candle in memory of Daniel Lee Mathews



Jeffrey and Beverly Smith - November 01, 2017 at 09:22 PM

 Mike Frasier

“ I can't remember not knowing him, he was always the same, kind and gentle. He always shook my hand and spoke to me for a bit. He was a good guy. He will be missed. RIP my friend

Mike Frasier - November 01, 2017 at 04:37 PM

TU

“ Sorry for your loss condolences from the Underwood Family.

Tinisha Underwood - November 01, 2017 at 03:42 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Daniel Lee Mathews.



November 01, 2017 at 11:42 AM

BF

“ So very sorry for your loss.

Betty Fike - November 01, 2017 at 09:02 AM

RM

“ Daniel was truly a hero even as a young boy. On a cold January afternoon he not only pulled his sister Vickie and I from a not-so-frozen pond, Daniel somehow managed to keep Annette on dry land. Neither my sister nor I can recall our childhood without fondly remembering the far less dramatic ‘Massey & Mathews’ outings the children of double-first cousins shared. Young Daniel was always cheerfully in the middle of it all. Our heartfelt condolences to all of you. Love, Helen Massey, Anita & Renea.

Renea Massey-Kusma - November 01, 2017 at 12:07 AM

BP

*Danny was an exceptional person !!
I met him several years ago after seeing an ad in the Times Journal , concerning a/c repair .. From that time forward , Danny was my 'go to ' person for all my rental properties . He not only was prompt & efficient , always agreeing to whatever the need happened to be .
Daniel was always courteous , well mannered , friendly , never complained about the nature of the job . Never a negative remark came out of his mouth , " it was kinda messy" was the worse I ever heard , still with a slight grin on his face !
I regarded Danny as a true friend as I got to know him . He would come to my house to collect payment ,(usually a couple of months later) for his help . We shared many conversations , solved many of the world' s problems , & made many plans to solve rental problems.
Daniel never hesitated to help , he was so giving in every way , with total respect to everyone . Our friendship elevated to the point that it seemed like family.
I'm so sad that Danny was taken away from us , he did a lot of living in his 56 years here on earth . Never wasted any of it .
My congratulations to his parents for having such a special son , my condolences also for your loss . He left this world a better place , I know , what happened is hard to accept , but knowing Danny , I can still see a smile on his handsome face.
He left his children & family an exceptional legacy , a Father to be so proud of . We shall always remember Daniel as to the impact he made on our lives.
Love , Barbara Purdy*

barbara purdy - November 01, 2017 at 04:12 PM

LY

“ this is one of the kindest men i ever knew , he would come fix all my broken stuff i was broke with four kids and he would try to not even charge me for parts , i feel a liittle less safe and warm in the world today with him gone. and even though i told him often how much he saved my life a million times, tonight i am crying and hoping to god he really knew how much his quiet kindness made the world such a better place . . the best part , daniel was so smart and he saw things exactly as they were yet he didnt judge any of us , seldom seemed exasperated , but instead patient and dedicated to servinging , fixing loving his fellow man . i will miss him dearly . and my heart is breaking for his family . bottom line ? maybe he was just too good of a man for this world ? i will miss you daniel . i will miss you

lydia - October 31, 2017 at 11:22 PM



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



October 31, 2017 at 10:18 PM

CG

“ I will always remember him as a fun-loving classmate. My daughter, Cassie, and his son, Colby, graduated together. So sad to hear this.

Caroline Gentry - October 31, 2017 at 08:58 PM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Daniel Lee Mathews.



October 31, 2017 at 08:49 PM



“ I remember when I used to go to church with Daniel and he would drive the bus and when he picked me up he would always say "There's trouble with a capital T!" He would also say it when I was living in the government apt's and he would have to come fix something and he would say it with a smile on his face and we would both just laugh! Going to miss ya buddy! R.I.P.!! Love you!

Crystal Floyd - October 31, 2017 at 07:31 PM



“ Daniel was a dear friend. John hired him to work for FPHA and they became good friends. He came to John's memorial service in April, which meant a lot to me. I was so glad that he was engaged and happy. He will be greatly missed.

Sarah Haase - October 31, 2017 at 05:55 PM



Daniel was a good friend to all of our family for many years. . We will certainly miss him.

JoAnn Newton - November 01, 2017 at 11:00 AM



Helen and Ed so sorry to hear about Daniel. Can't be at the service because of health problems but will be praying for you all. May the Lord bless you all during this difficult time. Connie Hilyer Hudgins.

Connie Hilyer Hudgins - November 01, 2017 at 07:22 PM

DJ

Daniel and i were class mates, he was usually very quiet but at the same time had that sneaky smile, you always knew when he was up to something, our children played football together so we had many good years with he and Lori, such a precious family, HE also worked with my son at the sheriff's department always with a smile and encouragement for him, he will be missed terribly God Bless you Daniel.

Deb Jennings - November 02, 2017 at 11:45 AM

KK

Daniel became my plumber and electrician after my husbands death. He would do any kind of work I needed done and became a great friend to me. Will miss him a lot. So sorry for the town's loss. Prayers to his family.

Kathy Dellinger Knight

Kathy D Knight - November 02, 2017 at 12:56 PM