



# Daniel L. Wiggins

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**D**ecatur-Daniel L. Wiggins, 64, of Decatur, passed away at 9:48 p.m. Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at St. Mary's Hospital with his family by his side.

Services to celebrate Daniel's life will be 11 a.m. Saturday, May 22, 2010 at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, with Pastor Nick Hardin officiating. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, May 21, 2010 at the funeral home. Interment with 'Flight Home' Ceremony will be in Macon County Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family. Online condolences and memories may be shared with the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).

Daniel was born September 19, 1945 in Decatur, the son of Wendell and Dorothy (Fritz) Wiggins. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam Conflict. He worked as a machine operator at Caterpillar retiring after thirty-two years of service. He was a Master Mason, served as an EMT and volunteer firefighter with the Long Creek Fire Department for over ten years, and member of the Bassmasters. He enjoyed fishing and being retired. He was always lending a helping hand and never met a stranger. Daniel was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He married Ilene Holbert May 15, 1982.

He leaves behind his wife Ilene, son; James Wiggins and wife Lindsey of Kingsport, Tennessee, daughter; Michelle Merklinger and husband Will of Cocoa, Florida, sister; Sandra Wright and husband Lynn of Decatur, and grandchildren; Stormie, Haelee, Drake, Brock, Dominic, Tadd, and one on the way.

He was preceded in death by his parents and grandson; Bryce.



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TS

**Tom, Kim, Arnold Daughters And Sons**, posted:

We have, do now, and will always love you, and will miss you until we will be reunited again. Love Tom, Kim, Jennifer and family, Sarah and family, Rebecca and family, Elisabeth and family, Katherine, Jacqueline, Christine, John, and Hannah.

May 22 at 6:21 PM

NP

**Nancy Pedigo** posted:

We were so sorry to hear of your lost. Our prayers and condolences go out to you all.

May 22 at 5:31 PM

LS

**Leonard & Sandy Stiverson** posted:

We were so glad we got to visit and laugh with Danny at the family reunion. It's so hard to believe, he was so up beat at the reunion. Danny loved life & he was a joy to be around. I will miss he's hugs & smile in years to come. You will be in our prayers! Love Leonard & Sandy

May 21 at 3:29 PM

AN

**Ann Arnold-Ooley-Norris** posted:

Until we meet again, Danny. I've known you since I was just a toddler and had my first memories. I never thought of you as an "uncle;" I just thought of you as family. And the best thing, every time I saw you, you were always smiling and laughing, making life fun. And you always welcomed family like they were the cream of the crop, like you had just hit the jackpot. Thank you for always making us feel like the most special and luckiest people alive. You are already missed so much and what a welcome home heaven must be having for you right now. Thank you for being a pall bearer for my father and my grandmother and for serving our country when it wasn't such a popular thing to do. I love you, Danny and I will miss you until its my turn. Your niece-Ann

May 20 at 3:35 PM

CD

**Connie And Kim At Decu** posted:

ILENE AND FAMILY, PLEASE KNOW THAT WE WILL BE THINKING OF YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN THE DAYS AND WEEKS TO COME.

May 20 at 1:53 PM



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**Linda Cox** posted:

I will always have fond memories of Danny. He was a caring neighbor to us when we lived next door when our children were little and growing up. He would be willing to help in any way he could. I remember when there was a death in our family, Danny was a single parent at the time, but he was the first one to bring food. He brought Godfather's Pizza's. They were appreciated so much by the house full of people. He also helped fix our lawn mower and cut my grass when my mower wasn't working. Always willing to help in any way needed. I will always remember his sense of humor and laugh. He had a heart of gold and was always so kind. The world could use more people like Danny. My thoughts and prayers go out to Ilene, Michelle, Jamie and their families. I was blessed to know him and I know you all realize how blessed you were to have been his family. I pray you will find comfort in your happy memories. My prayers and love are with you all, Linda Cox

May 19 at 7:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Daniel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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