



## Daniel Joseph Laffey

August 26, 1941 - November 5, 2022

Daniel Joseph Laffey, 81, passed away peacefully on November 5, 2022, at Edward Hines, Jr. Veteran's Administration Hospital, Hines, Illinois.

Born August 26, 1941 at Little Company of Mary Medical Center in Evergreen Park, he is preceded in death by his parents, James Wilson "Pete" Laffey and Anna May Quigley Laffey Bergeron; a brother, James Terrence Laffey, and a sister, Mary Anne Laffey Sass.

Surviving are his son, Christian Michael Laffey of Michigan, daughter, Elizabeth Kathleen Laffey Troxel (Jonathan) of Chicago; brother, Thomas of Minnesota; sister Kathleen Laffey Kernan (John) of Georgia, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A graduate of St. Patrick's High School, Kankakee, and DePaul University, Chicago, Laffey was a standout student and athlete, be it baseball, golf or basketball. As a DePaul Blue Demon, he played in two National Invitation Tournaments at Madison Square Garden in New York City. One of his favorite vacations was taking his family to Seattle, Washington, for a NCAA Final Four Tournament Other travels took him across the country, Canada, Europe, Asia and Australia.

A U.S. Army war veteran, Laffey served in Viet Nam. He managed compensation and benefits for Roper Corporation at its headquarters in Kankakee until the company relocated in the early 1980s. He purchased and manned the bar at Laffey's Tiny Tap in Kankakee until he retired in 1995.

An avid reader whose shelves groaned with works from Bruce Catton to John

LeCarre, each morning he challenged himself to complete the New York Times crossword puzzle. In an era where words became increasingly abbreviated, Laffey remained a logophile and would be chuffed if he ever sent anyone to a dictionary.

Cremation rites were accorded by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais. At Mr. Laffey's request, no services will be held. If desired, memorials may be made to the donor's choice of charities.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dan was one of the kindest guys I've ever met in my life. He always took care of us after softball games, actually and during games cheering us on sitting in dug-out and just enjoying the moment, love to compete and very humble! Condolences to entire family! He will be missed but not forgotten! 🌸 100”

Phil Link - November 09, 2022 at 08:59 PM

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I agree with PHILLIP.

Joseph L Giacchino - November 10, 2022 at 09:27 AM

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“ Joseph L Giacchino lit a candle in memory of Daniel Joseph Laffey”



Joseph L Giacchino - November 09, 2022 at 01:15 PM

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“ R.I.P. Dan, remember you from St. Pat's.”

Cathie (Sederstrand) Miedema



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