



Daniel Dobie

September 7, 1963 - May 24, 2024

Daniel Stuart Dobie was born September 7, 1963, and died peacefully at home after a valiant battle with glioblastoma on May 24, 2024.

Mr. Dobie was born and died in Royal Oak, Michigan. Dan was committed to the City and for decades lived a dedicated professional life as owner of a three-generation business in Royal Oak. He delighted assisting and designing engagement rings and wedding bands for couples in love. After his retail business closed, Dan focused on manufacturing precious keepsakes and other metal objects.

He had a lifelong passion for craftsmanship. Projects included creating and presenting historical replicas of tin objects at Greenfield Village, boat making, furniture building and restoration, and home carpentry. A man of endless interests, Dan enjoyed caring for his pets, gardening, camping, fishing, cycling, traveling, and sharing his culinary arts talents with family and friends. For inspiration, he read cookbooks from cover to cover, perused antique stores and museums, and watched "how-to" videos.

Community focused, Mr. Dobie served as a deacon at Greenfield Presbyterian Church, a volunteer gardener at the Detroit Zoo, and was actively involved in various community events in the downtown Royal Oak area for many years.

Dan was educated at Bloomfield Hills Andover High School, Central Michigan University, and Cranbrook Academy of Arts, where he was granted a Master of Fine Arts degree.

Cherishing his memory is Dan's spouse, Lisa Wilson, of Royal Oak. His sisters include Kay Dobie, Royal Oak; Carol (Russell) Austin, Lake Lansing; and Jennifer (Rick) Dobie Shanks, Madison Heights. Dan will be dearly missed by many cousins, including Nancy Duryea of Arlington, VA; Catherine Richmond, Omaha, NE; and Jeffrey and Stacey Duryea of Dallas, TX. He was cared for by his in-laws, Robert (Patricia) Wilson, Oxford; James (Sarah) Wilson, Brewster, MA; Lori (Kory) Musket, Madison Heights; Laura Mitchum, Ferndale; and Beth Wilson and Peter O'Leary, Royal Oak. A beloved uncle, Dan leaves behind many treasured nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by his parents, James and Marilyn Dobie, nee: Wagenschutz.

Introspective, gentle, curious, hands-on, with a quiet sense of humor, Dan was one of a kind.

The family will receive friends on Friday, June 7, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, June 8, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at Greenfield Presbyterian Church, 2312 Greenfield Road, Berkley, Michigan 48072, with the Reverend Ruthanne Herrington officiating.

Donations in Dan's memory may be made to: Greenfield Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund, 2312 Greenfield Road, Berkley, Michigan 48072.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUN 7. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

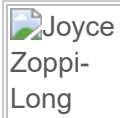
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705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
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Celebration of Life

JUN 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

Greenfield Presbyterian Church
2312 Greenfield Road
Berkley, MI 48072

Tribute Wall



“ Sorry to hear of his passing; He was a one of a kind kind man that I knew a few years ago. I'm sure he is missed by all that knew him. Sending my condolences to family. Out of state or I'd be at the celebration of life for him.
The last time I saw him was at Greenfield Village. Rest in Peace Dan. Joyce Zoppi-Long

Joyce Zoppi-Long - June 09, 2024 at 11:45 AM

JD

“ Jeffrey D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel Dobie.

Jeffrey D. - June 07, 2024 at 02:19 PM

JH

“ Jared Madison Heights purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Daniel Dobie.



Jared Madison Heights - June 06, 2024 at 01:46 PM



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



June 06, 2024 at 01:21 PM

MR

“ Marilee & Rob planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel Dobie.

Marilee & Rob - June 06, 2024 at 01:21 PM

BW

“ Bob and Pat Wilson purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Daniel Dobie.



Bob and Pat Wilson - June 05, 2024 at 08:26 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Daniel Dobie.



June 05, 2024 at 03:13 PM

MF

“ McLeish Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Daniel Dobie.



McLeish Family - June 03, 2024 at 10:11 PM

BJ

“ Bruce and Dianne Jessop planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel Dobie.

Bruce and Dianne Jessop - May 31, 2024 at 05:33 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Daniel Dobie.*



May 31, 2024 at 05:33 PM



“ *I am so sad to learn of Dan's passing. Lisa, you are an incredible human who is strong, passionate, loving and kind. I have no doubt the love you shared with Dan will give you the fuel you need to continue on. May your light shine through your tears. Praying for you.*

Jan Leach - May 31, 2024 at 11:53 AM



“ Dan was an amazing and loving man. I met him through his wife and he defined kindness in every interaction we had. I admired the way he and Lisa stared into each other’s eyes. They were Kind loving Kind. It helped me understand more clearly love between two people. The two of them always made me feel like family, and gave me open arms and an open invitation to their home when others had closed theirs to me. I have always believe life puts people in your life for a reason. I was one of the fortunate ones to have observed the seed of their relationship be planted and took much joy in watching it bloom. Dan was always a taciturn man. But the words he did speak had the weight of compassion, concern, understanding, and—I say it again—love. Lisa was an amazing part of his life, and she an amazing part of hers. And though he may be gone isn’t it great to know they were able to experience an amazing love. Dan will live in pictures and memories, but the love of him and who he was will make my hear—and I know many of yours a little heavier with the presence of his memory. Peace and love to both families. Lisa, my sister, I am sorry for you loss, but happy for knowing both you and Dan.

Sincerely,
H

H - May 30, 2024 at 09:53 PM



“ I have a couple of fond memories of Dan. I remember when my oldest son Tre’ turned 16 not only did Dan and Lisa come to the celebration but they also lended a helping hand. Then when the district bought us new desk with no desk drawer, Dan to the rescue installed the drawer I bought. This is just a testament of his kindness and willingness to help others. Great guy. May God grant the peace as well as comfort.

Danielle LaMar - May 29, 2024 at 06:36 PM

CN

*Lisa, my heart breaks for you and Dan's family. His love for you was so special right from the beginning. You have been such a strong lady through his illness. Please know how much you are loved by so many. May you find peace with Dan's memory. Love you,
Carolyn Norris-Deyell*

Carolyn Norris-Deyell - June 02, 2024 at 08:59 AM