



## Daniel O'Brien McNamara

July 8, 1947 - April 29, 2025

Daniel O'Brien McNamara joined his Lord on April 29, 2025 in San Antonio, Texas. He was born on July 8, 1947 in Washington, D.C. to Walter William McNamara and Sarah Elizabeth O'Brien. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Thomas and Michael McNamara; and nephew, Michael Lester. Daniel is survived by his sisters, Judy Polk (Kent), Pat Lester (Sam) and Milly Shackelford (Brian); nieces, Laura Polk, Katy Flanery, Sarah Lester, Audrey Johnson and Abigail Shackelford; and nephews, Erick Polk and Jonathan Shackelford.

Daniel will be greatly missed but we know that his life left an impact on his family, caretakers and on those who became his friends. In his presence, we learned that compassion is not a trait reserved for the few, but a universal language that connects us all. For Dan, every handshake, every kind word, and every shared smile was a testament to the power of empathy. He found beauty in the everyday—a sweet smile from a child, a song from the 1930s, cooking a Christmas dinner to share with loved ones. We also learned that even though it is sometimes stressful, and even inconvenient to help and support those who are struggling with life, it is important to give your time and your love to those in need.

We are truly grateful to those of you who did not judge Dan based on his limitations but recognized the beautiful human being he was on the inside.

Dan made all of us better and more compassionate people. In lieu of flowers, we ask that you make a donation in his memory to a charitable organization of your choice.

## SERVICES

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025 from 5:00pm-8:00pm at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North, 3401 Cherry Ridge Dr., San Antonio, Texas 78230. Graveside Services will be held on Friday, May 9, 2025 at 10:00am at Mission Burial Park North, 20900 IH-10 West, San Antonio, Texas 78257.

For personal acknowledgement, please sign the online guestbook at [www.missionparks.com](http://www.missionparks.com) in the Tributes section.

MISSION PARK FUNERAL CHAPELS NORTH  
3401 CHERRY RIDGE DR.  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78230  
(210) 349-1414

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Burial Park North

20900 IH 10 West  
San Antonio, TX 78257

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 8. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
(210) 349-1414  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Graveside Service

MAY 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mission Burial Park North  
20900 IH 10 West  
San Antonio, TX 78257

# Tribute Wall

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“ Always looked forward to seeing him in church.



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**Ed castaneda** - May 03, 2025 at 06:31 AM

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*Dan attended our Sunday School class for several years. We were always impress by his memory of Scripture and hymns.*

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**Louise Brown** - May 04, 2025 at 10:48 PM