



Daniel Joseph Motyka Jr.

April 29, 1957 - January 30, 2016

Daniel Joseph Motyka, Jr., age 58, of Chicago, passed away peacefully at home, of natural causes, on January 30, 2016. Daniel was a loving grandson, son, brother, nephew, uncle, cousin and friend. He will be remembered for his kindness, generosity, and humor. He will be greatly missed.

Daniel was an Operations Specialist and Loan Closer at the Urban Partnership Bank in Chicago.

His was also employed as a Loan Operations Officer at LaSalle Bank / Bank of America for many years. He completed degrees at Harper College, and Wilbur Wright Jr. College. He was working toward completion of a degree in finance at Roosevelt University.

Daniel was preceded in death by his parents – Dr. Daniel (Ruth) Motyka and Violet

Wojcignowski; grandparents – Joseph and Francis Motyka, Frank and Mary Wojcignowski; aunt and uncle - Geraldine (Kenneth) Atwood, and his beloved Scooter.

Daniel is survived by siblings - Laurie Heyl (Daniel Swift), Kenneth (Laura) Heyl, Danette (Mark)

Janickovic, Kristi (Kevin) Gescheidler, Christopher (Missy) Motyka; nephews and nieces - Noah

and Matthew Swift, Nicole (Chris) Horst, Nathan Heyl, Megan, Madison, and Danny Janickovic,
Alex and Abbey Motyka; great-neice -Aria Horst, uncle and aunt- Joseph (Annette) Motyka;
cousins - Kathleen (John) Ward, Timothy (Michelle) Atwood, Joseph (Vickie) Motyka, James
(Kim) Motyka; and cousins John and Robert Ward, Rebecca, Andrew, Nathan, Katelyn and Alex
Atwood, Kayla (Matthew) Bittle, and many other members of his extended family.

Friends may visit with Daniel's family on Monday, February 15, beginning at 9:00 a.m. before the
Memorial Service at 11:00 a.m., Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN.

Interment will take place at St. Adalbert Catholic Cemetery & Mausoleums, Niles, 6800
Milwaukee Avenue, Niles, IL at a later date.

Donations in Daniel's memory may be made to: Orphans of the Storm Animal Shelter, 2200
Riverwoods Road, Riverwoods (Deerfield), IL 60015.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JO

“ Daniel was my favorite bank teller back in the late 70's early 80's at Skokie Federal S&L. I thought I'd look him up for fun on Facebook and looked on Google when I did not see him and sadly found this. I remember him as being very bright and affable. I recall he was studying chemistry in college at that time. It does not surprise me that he chose a career in banking.

Jonathan - February 04, 2022 at 05:58 PM



“ Dan was my housemate for nearly two years and the best roommate I ever had. He got along well not just with me but my adult son Sam, my dog, cat, two birds, and my friends who visited. He was quite the animal lover. Dan generously shared his take-out food with Sam on a regular basis. He was a kind soul who I got to know as he sat in the dining room talking while I worked in the kitchen. I am donating to the shelter where one his dogs came from, Orphans of the Storm, instead of sending flowers. Go in peace, Dan!



Jo Peer-haas - February 12, 2016 at 03:21 PM

PC

“ My deepest condolences to the Motyka family. Dan possessed an exceptional spirit , staying in touch with his 'inner child' that never seem to diminish in the face of life's difficulties. His optimism and enthusiasm for his varied interests, his love for family and friends, his love of animals, never seemed to dwindle. A gentle soul.. Very hip, very current, yet entrenched in fond past memories. as well. In one of our correspondences he said "I would like to think that my years of belief in God and the Catholic church are warranted and that there is a pleasurable afterlife awaiting us."

Patrick Costello

patrick costello - February 12, 2016 at 03:50 AM

AS

“ First off, to Dan's family, thank you for putting this whole memorial together, it is so nice of you! I'm certain Dan is looking down and smiling upon your good work.

Dan was my best friend, as I'm sure he was to many others we spent day and night together for a little more than two years until I moved to Arizona in August of 2013 We became very close over that period and continued to speak to each other every day around the same time every night right before he'd go to bed. When I came back to Chicagoland he was the first friend I made sure to see and we did our best to meet-up at least once per week. I'm going to miss the heck out of you buddy, and really find it hard to believe you're gone, it doesn't seem real. I'm glad I told you how important u are to me whilst you were alive. I will truly miss you. I am certain you're in a much better place and I'll be praying for you. Love you bro. Have fun in Heaven!

Alexander Sowa - February 10, 2016 at 07:46 PM

LA

“ Dan and I worked together at LaSalle Bank for many years. I remember his gently and soft spoken demeanor, he was well liked by his co-workers. My prayers and thoughts go out to the family during this difficult time.

Lisette Alamo

Lisette Alamo - February 08, 2016 at 12:45 PM

TD

“ Daniel was a dear friend we meet in 2009 in PADS. We found a little coffee shop in Arlington Heights on Sunday where we went to sample coffee and pastries. It was our own little oasis that we went to. Daniel will be missed.

Gracious God, look with mercy upon the souls of our deceased family, relatives and friends. Grant that those You have called from our homes and our hearts may enter the embrace of Your faithful and everlasting love in Heaven.

Eternal rest, grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

O Loving Father, Source of all life, please accompany your servant, Daniel Joseph Motyka Jr. from this earth, to the Kingdom of heavenly peace, rest and eternal life that You have prepared for us.

Forgive any sins that have been committed and welcome this departed soul into the joyful embrace of Your never-ending love. Amen.

Thomas Claude Doucette - February 08, 2016 at 10:32 AM

JM

“ Peace be with you and your family. Lunches will never be the same without you. Glad we had the time to get to know each other better. Prayers go out to all the lives you touched.
Jennifer Meloy

Jennifer Meloy - February 08, 2016 at 08:30 AM

MB

“ May God Envelope You With Peace And Comfort. My prayers are with you.

Melvonne Brooks - February 08, 2016 at 07:37 AM

QM

“ RIP Daniel. Thoughts and prayers with the Motyka family.

Quinn McCarthy - February 07, 2016 at 05:05 PM