

Mr. Danny Ray Ryan

October 19, 1954 - August 3, 2021

A celebration of the life of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan, 66, of Henderson, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 6, 2021, in the chapel at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with Rev. Patsy Barham and Curt Frisbie officiating. Interment will be held at Santa Anna Cemetery in Santa Anna at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 7, 2021, under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 5 – 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 5, at the funeral home.

Mr. Ryan passed from this life on August 3, 2021, at Hospice Homeplace in Tyler after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born October 19, 1954, in Mansfield, Louisiana to the late Vance and Dorothy (Sims) Ryan. Danny found Jesus at the age of 9 at the same time as one of his good friends in their Sunday School class at Fellowship Baptist Church in Mansfield, Louisiana. Danny would later become a deacon in the Baptist church.

Mr. Ryan started school in Mansfield where the first couple of years in elementary school were a struggle. He went on to graduate from Carthage High School in 1974 and joined the U.S. Air Force. Later in 1974, Danny graduated from the Air Force Tech Training program and was an electrician on air craft. He went on to earn his Associates degree from Panola College in 1982 and a BS in Business Computer Science in 1985. During this time, he

met Lisa Akin and they were married in 1976 and had Gina and Sean. Danny would later go to work for Texas Utilities until his retirement in December 2015. Along the way he became a medic for Henderson Memorial Hospital. It was around this time that Danny married Patty Bunn Senf and had a new set of children, Jennifer and Zac, to finish the family. Between all of the above, Mr. Ryan decided to go back to school and earned a Master's degree in Science, a Master's degree in Business, and had started his PhD. Danny was, by now, a Master Electrician for the state of Texas, and with all that was going on in life, he was terribly excited about his grandchildren and being a grandfather. Mr. Ryan was also a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Henderson where he attended church with his wife Patty for several years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Jerry Cox.

Survivors include his wife of 27 years, Patty Ryan of Henderson; children, Mary Regina Dodge and husband Erick of Carthage, Jennifer Christian and husband Cris of Henderson, Sean Ryan and wife Jessica of Long Branch, and Zac Senf and wife Elice of Austin; sisters, Sharon Sue Ogden of Carthage, and Sandra Hardin and husband Mickey of Gary; grandchildren, Emily, Hannah, Devon, Erin, Braden, Xander, and Stryker; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other family, and many friends.

Pallbearers will be Sean Ryan, Zac Senf, Jacob Bunn, Cris Christian, Tyler Esters, and Jeff Mason. Honorary Pallbearers will be Curt Frisbie, Wayne Adams, Fonza Clark, Lynn Jackson, and William Cooper.

Special word of thanks to Angel Care Hospice, especially Leslie King and Robert Fry, also to Hospice of East Texas in Tyler.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Santa Anna Cemetery

221 Fannin St.
Santa Anna, TX 76878

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

AUG 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Henderson, TX 75654

Committal service

AUG 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

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221 Fannin St.
Santa Anna, TX 76878

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - August 05, 2021 at 11:54 AM

GB

“ *Glenna Broadaway lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Glenna Broadaway - August 27, 2021 at 06:15 PM



“ *Sherrie McBride sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Sherrie McBride - August 06, 2021 at 06:54 PM



My heart and prayers go out to you Patty and family.

Sherrie McBride - August 06, 2021 at 06:56 PM

MC

I am so sad to find that Danny has passed away. This is Michie Head Cavuoti. My mother, Florence Ryan, and his dad were first cousins. That made Danny my second cousin. He and I shared a lot of Ryan genealogy. We were both researches at heart. He solved some of the biggest Ryan mysteries. He was given a family Bible by his dad Vance, who received it from his father Victor "Wirt" Ryan. Uncle Wirt was given the Bible by his father George W. Ryan. Barely legible in front was an inscription naming Isaac Ryan and his wife Margaret there were other inscriptions about Young Gaines and his wife Esther. It was Danny who found out the Gaines were related by marriage to the Ryan's and the (Thomas) Bilbos. They married sisters. Isaac Ryan Margaret Lawrence; Thomas Bilbo Ann Lawrence ; Young Gaines Esther Lawrence. I lost touch with him the last few years. I'm so sorry we didn't get to meet. He was a gentle soul, a ferocious researcher and badly missed kinsman. Please know Patty, you and he are in my prayers.

Michiel Cavuoti - July 22, 2025 at 02:34 PM

GN

“ I so enjoyed my summer's in Carthage with my grandparents, my uncle Danny and my aunts Sue and Sandra. I felt like I knew them well, being that my aunts and uncle were closer to my brother's age than my dad's. They all made my summer's memorable. I know I probably aggravated Danny more than the rest, you can imagine being a teenager, he didn't want a young niece around. He grumbled alot but I think that was his way of showing love or at least that is what I told myself. Of course back then he was at the age to always be picking on someone. Looking at the video that was posted, I could see in his eyes how much he loved and enjoyed his family. I wondered if he grumbled at them too. I had loss touch with the family as I got older, raising my own family. But one thing those summers taught me about my family is they had a strong love for god and family. I know their hearts have aches but you must hold onto those memories and be thankful for all the time you did have with him, even though it was cut short. It looks Ike he had a good life and lots of love. May you rest in peace, Uncle Danny Ray. love, Glenda

Glenda Price, his niece - August 06, 2021 at 06:33 PM

DK

“ *David & Dianna Kelley sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



David & Dianna Kelley - August 06, 2021 at 04:40 PM

CW

“ *Johnny and I send our deepest condolences to all the family on this great loss. Praying that God will comfort you and give you strength.*

Cyndi Walker - August 06, 2021 at 10:15 AM

CH

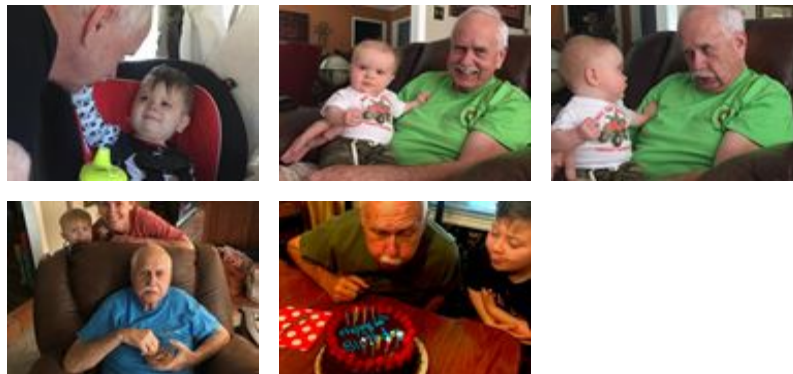
“ *Carol Hale lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Carol Hale - August 06, 2021 at 04:58 AM



“ *13 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - August 05, 2021 at 02:24 PM



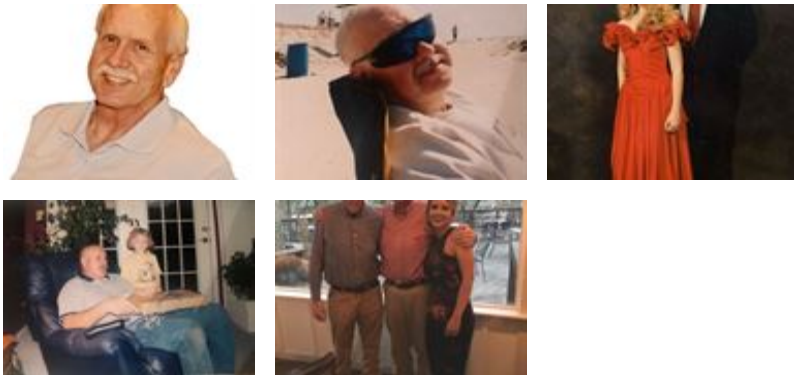
“ David And Jan Crow lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan



David and Jan Crow - August 05, 2021 at 01:04 PM



“ 82 files added to the album Life Tributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - August 05, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“ Saying prayers Patty and her family. Danny was a awesome man. I have lots of great memories from working with Danny at Henderson EMS and I cherish all of them. Rest In Peace, Danny!!!! 🙏❤️🙏



Stephanie Almeida - August 05, 2021 at 10:05 AM

BH

“ *Becky And Bill Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Becky and Bill Hughes - August 05, 2021 at 12:07 AM



“ *Our hearts and prayers are with you at this time. Dean and Linda J Smith*



Linda Smith - August 04, 2021 at 11:58 PM

SC

“ *Stan & Cathy Collins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Stan & Cathy Collins - August 04, 2021 at 10:31 PM

SC

“ *Worked with Danny at Oak Hill Mine. He was always ready to assist you on jobs if needed. He served on BEST Safety Cmmitte and performed his duties at an excellent level. He will be missed. RIP my friend.*

Stan & Cathy Collins - August 04, 2021 at 10:28 PM

PL

“ *Patty, I'm so sorry to hear of Danny's passing. My heart goes out to you and your family. Wishing you comfort. Paulette*



Paulette Lee - August 04, 2021 at 10:00 PM

CV

“ *Carla Vaught lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Carla Vaught - August 04, 2021 at 09:50 PM

WS

“ *Wayne Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Wayne Sanders - August 04, 2021 at 09:30 PM

GH

“ *Glenda Humphries lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



glenda humphries - August 04, 2021 at 09:18 PM

RV

“ *Roberta Vallantyne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Roberta Vallantyne - August 04, 2021 at 08:48 PM

RC

“ *Patty and family please know that Teckla and I extend our deepest sympathy and prayers in your time of sorrow and loss. Please take comfort in knowing that Danny is free of pain and smiling down on us all. We love you all very much.*
Ray, Teckla and Cayden Coven



Ramon Coven - August 04, 2021 at 07:24 PM

LW

“ *Weisingers are hugging you all from Austin! Prayers and love to all of you!* 🙏❤️



Larry and Tracie Weisinger - August 04, 2021 at 07:04 PM

BK

“ *Becky Story Krajewski lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Becky Story Krajewski - August 04, 2021 at 06:10 PM

TP

“ Tom And Linda Pharr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan



Tom and Linda Pharr - August 04, 2021 at 05:37 PM

TB

“ Prays for the Family Hope they find Peace in the Days to come



teresa bell - August 04, 2021 at 05:24 PM

TE

“ Tamara And Jerry Elliott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan



Tamara and Jerry Elliott - August 04, 2021 at 05:22 PM

NS

“ Prayers for all.

Norman and Diane Simmons - August 04, 2021 at 05:19 PM

JS

“ Praying for each of you during this time!



julianna sipes - August 04, 2021 at 03:58 PM

KE

“ Praying for the family.



KellyStroud - August 04, 2021 at 03:51 PM

DL

“ Deon And Debbie Lennie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan



Deon and Debbie Lennie - August 04, 2021 at 03:45 PM

GG

“ Greg And Melinda Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan



Greg and Melinda Gibson - August 04, 2021 at 03:44 PM

TS

“ *Tim & Kathy Storer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Tim & Kathy Storer - August 04, 2021 at 03:08 PM



“ *Barbara J Jolley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Barbara J Jolley - August 04, 2021 at 02:46 PM

PA

“ *Patricia Allred lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Patricia Allred - August 04, 2021 at 02:20 PM

SR

“ *Stan & Connie Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Stan & Connie Rodgers - August 04, 2021 at 02:04 PM

CH

“ You will live in our memories forever. You were a helluva paramedic. Rest In Peace



Christie Hyman - August 04, 2021 at 01:27 PM

NV

“ Praying for comfort and sending you all the love. We love you Danny; fly high beautiful Angel!



Nykole Vance - August 04, 2021 at 12:50 PM

JD

“ I am so so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this most difficult time.



Jeanie Dickeson - August 04, 2021 at 12:41 PM

AB

“ Amber Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan



Amber Brown - August 04, 2021 at 12:17 PM



“ *Patti, I am so very sorry for your loss.*
Cathy Hooper

Cathy Hooper - August 04, 2021 at 11:41 AM



“ *I am so grateful to have known Danny and having had the opportunity to work with him. My prayers for his family and friends. He will certainly be missed.*

Tom Vaught - August 04, 2021 at 11:09 AM



“ *Tom Vaught lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Tom Vaught - August 04, 2021 at 11:06 AM



“ *Angela Riley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Angela Riley - August 04, 2021 at 10:57 AM

TW

“ *Tracie Washington-Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Tracie Washington-Jones - August 04, 2021 at 10:24 AM

BG

“ *Praying for peace and comfort for family and friends*

Bonnie Geddie



Bonnie Geddie - August 04, 2021 at 12:52 AM

FM

“ *Frankie & Kim Mele lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Ray Ryan*



Frankie & Kim Mele - August 04, 2021 at 12:07 AM