



*Charles Daniel
(Danny) Bass*

Nov. 2, 1948 - Aug. 2, 2024

Charles Daniel (Danny) Bass was born November 2, 1948. He passed away at the age of 75 on August 2, 2024. Danny resided in Morganton, NC since 2002 after having lived at various times in Matthews, Charlotte, Denver, and Raleigh, NC, as well as Tampa, FL.

Danny was born to Charles Samuel and Polly Lingle Plyer Bass. He attended East Mecklenburg High School. Danny married the love of his life Elaine Woodie on September 17, 1967 before being drafted and serving in the Vietnam Conflict. As part of his service to the United States in Vietnam, Danny was an infantry soldier and worked with his unit to clear mines from the battlefield. Danny worked for North Carolina National Bank (NCSB) which became Bank of America where he finished his career as a Senior Vice President, retiring in 2002. During the time his three girls were at home, Danny could be found at the softball field either coaching, or on the sidelines cheering—always his girls' biggest fan. Following his retirement and move

SOMETIMES CHEERING always his girls biggest fan. Following his retirement and move to Morganton, Danny pursued his passion for travel, often bringing along his extended family to share the adventure. In addition to his love of travel, Danny was known for his automobile enthusiasm. Any given weekend could find him behind the wheel of his Corvette, winning trophies at car shows, or taking his Jeep off roading at Jeep Jamborees.

Danny is survived by his wife Elaine Woodie Bass, three daughters (Sandie Bass-Ringdahl, Debbie Baysinger, and April Holmes), one sister (Deborah Hahn), three sons-in-law (Joel Ringdahl, Jamey Baysinger, and Frederick Holmes), seven grandchildren (James, Charles, and William Baysinger, Adsila and Piers Ringdahl, and Titus and Cody Holmes), one grand daughter-in-law (Natalia Baysinger), and one great granddaughter (Willow Baysinger). He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Polly Bass, and two siblings, David Bass and Darlene Burrows.

Services in Danny's memory include receiving of friends to be held at Sossoman Funeral Home in Morganton, NC on Monday, August 5th from 1-2PM, followed by a graveside memorial service at the Jonas Ridge Cemetery at 3PM (8256 Buckeye Hollow Road, Newland, NC). Parking available at the Jonas Ridge United Methodist Church or at the Jonas Ridge Baptist Church.

Danny's enduring love for his wife and family, his zest for adventure, and his enjoyment hosting holiday gatherings will be missed beyond words.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



My condolences. Danny was a great person. I loved working for him. Juanita Crutcher

–Juanita Crutcher

Danny (and Elaine) helped me through some rough times in my life. For that I will always be grateful. A person could not find a better friend than Danny. He will be sorely missed. May his family be at peace. Good bye friend.

–John James



Sending love and condolences to the family. With love
Leslie Moon

–Leslie Moon



Dear Elaine and daughters I'm lighting a white candle for Danny & you representing spirituality, peace, higher self, & substitution. We are so very sorry for your loss. Please know that our prayers, thoughts and love are with you all.

–Kathy Bass Harter & Michael Harter

Our love and prayers go with all of you. Stan and Pat Holmes

–Stan and Pat Holmes



–Anonymous



To Elanie and family, Danny was one of the first managers I knew when starting my career at age 18 at NCNB in 1977. He was later my manager until his retirement in 2002. I learned a lot from him, and he rescued me when job times got tuff! Barbara and I enjoyed knowing him and the Jeep adventures. He will be missed. Ol' Sarge we love you!
Ron/Barbara and Kyle Byram

–Ron and Barbara & Kyle Byram



–Natalia Baysinger



Dear Elaine and girls I'm sorry to hear of Danny's passing.
My thoughts and prayers are with you



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–Carol Jean Bass Biggerstaff

Danny was the greatest brother I could have had. There has never been any question about his love for me or my husband David. We did everything together that we could and that was a lot. When we didn't see each other, we talked on the phone. We raised our children together till he moved to Florida. We loved each others children like our own and I know they felt it. Danny was a wonderful person, he would do anything for you if he liked you. He had a stern personality, which I believe Vietnam created but I thought of him as a big teddy bear. Danny, I already miss you! I love you more than you could have ever known. Deborah

–Deborah Bass Hahn

I will remember the open invitation to spend the Thanksgiving holidays at their home in Morganton when ever we were traveling that time of year.

–William Baysinger