



## Michael Douglas McDaniel

November 10, 1951 - August 17, 2019

Michael Douglas McDaniel, 67, of Dix, passed away 7:22 p.m. Saturday, August 17, 2019, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born November 10, 1951, in Centralia, the son of Otho D. McDaniel and Mary L. (Sisson) Robbins. On September 1, 2018, at City Hope Church in Centralia, he married Myrt Porter, and she survives in Dix.

He worked as a Millwright at Rockwell for 19 years, and then worked in shipping and receiving at Southwire for ten years. After retirement, he was employed by the Jefferson County Sherriff's Office, doing maintenance and janitorial work. He attended Centralia High School and two years at Kaskaskia College.

He served in the United States Army, in Vietnam, as a Gunner and Mechanic, obtaining the rank of Sergeant. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, a Good Conduct Medal, and the merit of Wings. He was a collector of vintage toys and money, loved riding his tractor, and loved spending time in his garage with friends and family.

In addition to his wife, Myrt McDaniel of Dix, he is survived by five children, Melissa McDaniel of Centralia, Clinton McDaniel of Centralia, Christy and Travis Kelley of Mt. Vernon, Stacey and Luke Marcum, and Bobbie and Ryan Lane of Mt. Vernon; six grandchildren, Brooklynn Kelley of Mt. Vernon, Dylan Timmons of Centralia, Travis Kelley of Mt. Vernon, Rylie Timmons of Centralia, Dannie Lane of Mt. Vernon, and William Lane of Mt. Vernon; three

brothers, Gary McDaniel of Dix, Chuck McDaniel of Centralia, and Steve McDaniel and wife Vickie of Richview; two sisters, Donna Wesling of Centralia and friend Don Berry, and Susie Smith and husband Gene of Centralia; several nieces and nephews; and many great friends, especially Joe Hardy of Centralia.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Otho McDaniel and Mary Robbins; one brother, Bob McDaniel; and one nephew, Rod Wesling.

In accordance with Mr. McDaniel's wishes, a private family ceremony will be held, and cremation rites will be accorded, following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Hope House in St. Louis, and will be accepted by mail to the Osborn Funeral Home, P.O. Box 130, Dix, Illinois 62830. Online condolences may be made at [www.osbornfuneral.com](http://www.osbornfuneral.com), or on the funeral home's Facebook page.

He will be sadly missed by his wife, Myrt, and his brothers, sisters, and children.

# Tribute Wall

JW

“ To the Family of Mike McDaniel; What a great guy and friend, worked with Mike at Southwire in the shipping dept. and enjoyed our talks and friendship. I have a pole building built by the same builders that built his garage, he spoke highly of them and I was at his house a couple time to check it out before I had mine built. I was at Mt Vernon Gun and Sportsmans club on 8th of August and asked the barmaid if she knew him and she said Mike worked on her grandpa mowers and now I wish I would have stopped in to see Mike. My dearest condolence to Mike's family, John Wintermann



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**John Wintermann** - August 22, 2019 at 10:14 AM



“ I am was sadden to hear did I was sadden to hear today that Mike McDaniel had passed away.I hired in with Mike at Southwire us and 12 others. And after 10year when they shut us down me and Mike were the last ones left out of the 12 .They started two hire in to a get a swing shift started.My dearest condolence to Mike's family. From His Southwire family. Jesse Campos



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**Jennifer Smith** - August 21, 2019 at 11:46 AM

SG

“ Mike made these, no telling how many years ago (I believe in the days of Rockwell). Years later, over a cold one and some good laughs, I noticed the V-Twin Jugs lying on this work bench. The pistons swivel, and the rings float. I had just bought a Harley Bagger (2011) and he decided I needed it more than himself and he gave it to me. I still carry it today. 😭 What a Great Man and an Awesome CraftsMan. You will be missed Greatly.  
Your Friend... Steve.



Steve Gooden - August 20, 2019 at 11:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Douglas McDaniel.



August 20, 2019 at 04:25 PM

VA

“ Melissa,  
I'm so sorry to read about your Dad. Keeping you & your family in my thoughts & prayers



Val(Garren-Evans)Matthews - August 19, 2019 at 11:22 AM