



Daniel W. Herron

May 1, 1963 - August 12, 2025

It is with heavy hearts and profound sadness that we announce the unexpected passing of Daniel "Dan" Wayne Herron, who left us on August 12, 2025, at the age of 62. Born on May 1, 1963, Dan was a man with a love for life, a stubborn streak, and an infectious sense of humor. Dan had a unique ability to make anything with a motor and wheels run, a talent he may have attributed to his steady diet of coffee with a "pound of sugar and a jug of milk." His love for life was evident in his enjoyment of simple pleasures: his favorite snacks and Looney Tunes, fast cars (especially a 87 Monte Carlo SS), 4x4 trucks, and operating equipment. He had a legendary sweet tooth, always eating dessert—especially homemade pumpkin or banana bread—before his main meal.

A true character, Dan could always be counted on for a laugh and to say or do something completely inappropriate. His great sense of humor and love for a good time were matched only by his love for his family and all dogs, also his famous "don't let the dogs out" holler he made anytime someone walked toward the door to come or go. He will be remembered for his unwavering request to "stop at Burger King or Culvers" whenever he was taken to town and for his signature smoking of Reds like a chimney.

Dan is survived by his children, Dan Herron (Cindy Powers), Matthew Herron,

and Shantelle Zinzer (Jordan Zinzer). He leaves behind his grandchildren, Elizabeth, Blake, Kynzlie. He is also survived by his siblings, Tim, Bill, Jack, Louis, Paul, Frank, and Frank, Dave, Shirley, and Susan, his many cousins, aunts and uncles. Dan was a friend to everyone he met. He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Leona Herron and brother Jack.

In lieu of flowers, and in honor of Dan's deep love for dogs, a charity has been established in his name. All proceeds will go to Dallas to the Rescue. Donations can be made in his memory to support this cause.

Dan will be put to rest on Monday August 18, 2025, at 11am at Vernon township cemetery just south of Clare on old mission. A luncheon will be provided directly after the funeral at 12:30p at the 828 Hall in Shepherd, (located at 221 W. Wright St. Shepherd, MI 48883).

Cemetery Details

Vernon Township Cemetery

8100 N. Mission Rd.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Graveside Services

AUG 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Dan was a good man. Rest in peace friend.* ”



Cindy Stevens - August 15, 2025 at 07:08 PM

AB

“ *I do not know any of you, I was one of many to stopped to assist. This tragic accident has greatly affected me, but the memory I will share is of the caring community that surrounded Dan. I heard many comments about him being a great guy and how he loved his family. My deepest condolences.* ”

Anne Boyd - August 15, 2025 at 01:23 PM

MF

“ *I will always remember Dan when he came to dollar general and I saw him an waited him as a well known costume he a great guy and he would always make u smile when he came in he will deep be missed at dollar general* ”



Michelle Fowler - August 15, 2025 at 10:01 AM

CP

“ In honor of Dan Herron’s memory all donations can be made to Dalis to the Rescue using the link below. You can donate directly using the linked Venmo, PayPal, etc. or by purchasing things on the Amazon wishlist. There will also be a donation box at the luncheon following the funeral, for those wishing to donate in person.

<https://linktr.ee/DalistotheRescue>

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Cindy Powers - August 14, 2025 at 06:22 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Daniel W. Herron.



August 14, 2025 at 05:07 PM

PW

“ Dan and I became friends when we were in our early teens. We were the best of friends. always a game or a laugh, or a fight!!! Dan and I had to make a trip once from Kentucky to Mt. Pleasant for the family business, what fun we had till we realized we kept making wrong turns and kept ending up in Toledo, and had to let mom and dad know we needed new directions!!!! He always had me make him chocolate no bake cookies. I cherish the memories we made. Rest easy my friend

Peggy Wells - August 14, 2025 at 04:57 PM