



Danny R. Conaway

March 21, 1950 - November 29, 2019

Funeral service with military honors and masonic rites for Danny R. Conaway, 69, of Spring Garden will be Tuesday, December 03, 2019 at 11:00 A.M. at Thompson Funeral Home with Dr. Lewis Conaway and the Rev. Gene Howard officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 9:00 A.M. until time of service. Mr. Conaway passed away Friday, November 29, 2019 at the V. A . Medical Center in Birmingham. Survivors include his loving wife of 51 years, Shirley N. Conaway; one daughter, Amanda Akhtar (Burney) of Weaver; three grandchildren, Christian Crow, Clessie Akhtar, and Cael Akhtar; two brothers, Dr. Lewis Conaway (Theresa) of Centre and Terry Conaway (Debra) of Piedmont; several nieces and nephews; and special friend, Leonard Kiser of Hokes Bluff. Honorary pallbearers will be Lozahatchee Masonic Lodge #97 F&AM. Mr. Conaway was a longtime resident of Spring Garden , a graduate of Spring Garden High School and Jacksonville State University with a degree in Criminal Justice. He attended Carmel Church. Mr. Conaway was a veteran of both the United States Marines and United States Navy . He started his career with the FBI and retired from the ABI with 32 years of service. After retirement, he worked for the Cherokee County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Conaway was a member of the Lozahatchee Masonic Lodge #97 F&AM and a supporter of the DAV. He adored his wife and loved his daughter and grandchildren. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. Mr. Conaway was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Juanita Conaway. The family would like to extend a special thank you to the

Piedmont Rescue Squad for their help and support and the V.A. Hospital for the care they provided. In lieu of flowers the family request memorial contributions be made to the Piedmont Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 333, Piedmont, AL 36272.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TC

“ Danny was my big brother. As a child I went from the baby bed to sharing one with Danny. This was back in the days before kids had their own rooms, or a bed of their own. His bed had a small night light he would use to read me bedtime bible stories with. We would look thru the J C Whitney catalogs debating if we wanted the baby moons or the black knight hubcaps for our future dreams cars. He taught me the child's bedtime prayer, As I lay me down to sleep, if I should die before I wake, I pray to God my soul to take. After all these years I still say this every night to myself. He was the bother who had to carry my rocking chair back and forth when we stayed overnight at our grandmothers house down the street. He was the brother who conformed me when my first dog, Butch got ran over by a car. He was the same big brother who twenty or more years later did the necessarily but unavoidable business of putting down another dying dog of mine, Butch II. He did what big brothers do, he carried my load. I will never forget the loving compassion the big brother showed to his younger brother. It broke my heart when he lost his leg years ago, but he stood taller and went further with that one leg than many did with both. I know he is in heaven now because only God could have made a big brother like Danny Ray Conaway. I love you, Danny rest in peace. I know we will meet up again in heaven, your baby brother, Terry

Terry Conaway - December 03, 2019 at 01:05 PM

TT

Terry, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. I never heard the news and came up on it by accident while looking something up. I remember Danny from years ago. He was a fine man. You and your family are in my prayers. Love, Twila

Twila Thornburg - December 15, 2019 at 11:37 PM

ME

“ *Mary East lit a candle in memory of Danny R. Conaway*



Mary East - December 02, 2019 at 04:19 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Danny R. Conaway.*



December 02, 2019 at 12:42 PM

MV

“ *I knew Danny, my first cousin, all his life. He was always a good guy -- from childhood and throughout adulthood, loved and respected. Shirley, my thoughts and prayers go out to you and Amanda, to Lewis and Terry, to the grandchildren...to all those Danny loved most and who loved him most. Even in the midst of grief, we can draw comfort from knowing that Danny has gone home to be with the Lord.*

Mary Stinson, Glen Allen, VA - December 01, 2019 at 03:15 PM

WM

“ *Danny is one of my favorite cousins and a really special friend. We have shared a lot of good times and many good talks. I will miss him very much and be anxious to see him again. SHIRLEY, you and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. I love you.*

Wanda McCurdy - December 01, 2019 at 03:03 PM

TT

“ *thanks for your service. prayers to the family
for your loss.* ”



Teresa Thacker - December 01, 2019 at 10:54 AM

“ Leonard has summed it better than I ever could. Danny was all of that, and as his friend for over 40 years, he was the example we should all follow. The most ethical and caring friend anyone can have. I can hear Danny reciting the words of Henry Scott Holland:

*Death is nothing at all.
I have only slipped away to the next room.
I am I and you are you.
Whatever we were to each other,
That, we still are.*

*Call me by my old familiar name.
Speak to me in the easy way
which you always used.
Put no difference into your tone.
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.*

*Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me. Pray for me.
Let my name be ever the household word
that it always was.
Let it be spoken without effect.
Without the trace of a shadow on it.*

*Life means all that it ever meant.
It is the same that it ever was.
There is absolute unbroken continuity.
Why should I be out of mind
because I am out of sight?*

*I am but waiting for you.
For an interval.
Somewhere. Very near.
Just around the corner.*

All is well.

Nothing is past; nothing is lost. One brief moment and all will be as it was before only better, infinitely happier and forever we will all be one together with Christ.

Thanks, Danny. You have made me feel better already.

Chuck Davis

Chares Davis - December 01, 2019 at 07:15 AM



“ *Renee Morgan lit a candle in memory of Danny R. Conaway*



Renee Morgan - November 30, 2019 at 06:19 PM

JH

“ *Rest in Peace, Danny. Thanks for your service, Brother. Prayers and condolences to the family on the loss of their loved one.*

John L.(Johnny) Hester

John L.(Johnny) Hester - November 30, 2019 at 03:08 PM

JH

Deepest sympathy. Honored to have been acquainted with Danny while I worked with Cherokee County Department of Human Resources. I appreciated his concern and support for the citizens of Cherokee County.

Janice Haynes - November 30, 2019 at 04:42 PM

LK

“ *Danny Ray Conaway was a man of unquestionable character and loyalty. He loved and adored his wife, Shirley and his family. Danny was a devoted practicing Christian. He also loved his chosen profession, law enforcement and the individuals with whom he worked. He was justifiably proud of his dual service in the United States Navy and especially the United States Marine Corps. Danny epitomized the character and virtues of a Master Mason and practiced them every day. I have been privileged to have known Danny for 60 years and honored to have worked with him for some 20 of those years. I knew Danny to be a man of exceptional courage which he clearly demonstrated during his entire life but especially during his last months. I cherish all the time that I spent with Danny but most of all the many conversations we had during his last few weeks. Danny was my true friend and faithful Brother and I look forward to the day that we meet again.*

leonard H. Kiser - November 30, 2019 at 03:06 PM

TP

“ *Our deepest condolences and prayers to family during this time. May you all be comforted in the days to come by treasured memories and God's Love and Grace. ROCKRUN BAPTIST CHURCH*



Tonya Pike - November 30, 2019 at 02:31 PM