



## Danny J. Melvin

November 20, 1951 - December 17, 2008

Mr. Danny J. Melvin, age 57, of Frankfort, NY, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, December 17, 2008 in the privacy of his home.

Born in Utica on November 20, 1951, Danny is the son of Melva (Clemens) Melvin and the late Jason Melvin. Raised and educated in Utica, he was a 1969 graduate of Utica Free Academy. He also received his Associates degree in Business Administration from M.V.C.C. At one time, he was married to Christine Melvin.

Danny's career as a cook spanned many years, and he will be remembered for his down-home cooking and his outgoing and fun-loving personality. He had been employed at Joe's Lunch in Whitesboro and currently prepared meals at the House of the Good Shepherd. He loved the children of the RTF and was looked upon as a role model, an exemplary friend, and a cherished co-worker. While helping the children of the House of the Good Shepherd to acquire a good meal, he cared about their personal needs and showed his hospitality to each child. He generated the idea of celebrating Thanksgiving and Christmas meals with the children, their families, and the staff, and provided such a memorable, loving opportunity to share. As a family man, he was a forgiving, understanding, and sensitive father and grandfather, and the past 3 years had been shared with his companion, Bill. Crafts were his specialty, and he had a flair for decorating, especially for the Christmas season. His physical presence will be missed, but his generosity and creative nature will long inspire those who knew and loved him. A great part of him

appreciated nature, and he often enjoyed camping in the Adirondacks. He was a spiritual man who performed many works for the Lord with such sincerity and humility.

Danny is survived by his daughters and son-in-law, Jennifer and David Coriale of Marcy; and Marianne Melvin of Utica; his son and daughter-in-law, Christopher and Jennifer Melvin of Whitestown; his grandchildren, Isabella and Dominick Coriale, and David and Josephine Melvin; his mother, Melva Melvin of Schuyler; and his companion, Bill Ward. Survivors also include his brother and sister-in-law, Reggie and Linda Melvin of IL; his nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins.

The family expresses heartfelt appreciation to the Frankfort Schuyler Volunteer Fire Department whose members responded with such compassion, sensitivity, and promptness.

Visitation will be held Saturday from 1:00-3:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. 932 South St. corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in Danny's honor to the House of the Good Shepherd, especially the RTF Building; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. His Celebration of Life and funeral service will be held on Saturday afternoon at 3:00 immediately upon the conclusion of visitation with Danny's uncle, Pastor Ernest Clemens, officiating. Interment will take place in Waterville Cemetery in the spring.

# Tribute Wall



“ *I still miss my brother. He was also my best friend.*

Reggie Melvin - October 14, 2021 at 08:11 PM



“ *May Dan find peace in the arms of the Lord.##imported-begin##Jim Smith##imported-end##*

December 30, 2008 at 12:38 PM



“ *I was very sorry to learn of the sudden death of Dan. He meant a lot to many people from all walks of life. He inspired many in a group I belong to and with him our group grew strong. May the Lord watch over him and his entire 'earth' family in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Kenney Ashley - Lowell, MA##imported-end##*

December 29, 2008 at 09:09 PM



“ *Dan signed all of his emails with the following:*

*"Life is short, Break the rules, Forgive quickly, Kiss slowly, Love truly,  
Laugh uncontrollably, And Never regret anything that made you smile."*

*Thank you Dan.##imported-begin##Sam Hayes##imported-end##*

December 29, 2008 at 02:23 PM



“ To Dan's Family and Loved Ones,

*I do wish you peace and extend my sympathies to each of you as you both mourn the loss and remember the wonderful memories of Dan.*

*I knew Dan to be most caring, compassionate, and to be such a helper to myself and others in our search for peace, understanding, love, and contentment in our lives and with others that we care about around us.*

*With caring regards and love to Dan as he rests in peace,*

*Guy in NC###imported-begin##Guy Neff###imported-end##*

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December 28, 2008 at 10:06 PM



“ So very sorry to hear of your loss--and in a smaller way, mine! My prayers are for you and yours as you work thru your grief. If there is anything I can do, please let me know.

*in His Grace,  
Gordon*

*Courageous Men###imported-begin##Gordon De Land###imported-end##*

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December 28, 2008 at 08:20 PM



“ I only knew Dan through an internet group, but what I got from him there is unrepayable. He was blessing to me and many others. May he rest in light eternal!###imported-begin##David C. Ryniker###imported-end##

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December 28, 2008 at 04:38 PM



“ Dan was a wonderful person and always had something encouraging to say. He will be deeply missed.##imported-begin##Justin Hatmaker##imported-end##

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December 28, 2008 at 10:24 AM



“ My Sympathies to the family and friends of another male survivor.##imported-begin##Jack Power##imported-end##

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December 28, 2008 at 09:08 AM



“ Dan,  
We had said to each other that we should get together soon and meet in person, lest something happen and we never get the chance. We were too late. But the years we spent working together at Courageous Men, will be in my heart forever. You taught me that no man is beyond redemption..not even me. You loved me when I couldn't love myself. And you made me love you....that was the easy part. You took a piece of my heart when you left. But I have a piece of yours that I will cherish until we meet again and once again exchange hearts. I love you Dan.##imported-begin##Sam Hayes##imported-end##

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December 28, 2008 at 05:23 AM



“ From all of the men in Dan's support group, Courageous Men. Dan was not only one of our co-founders of the group, he was a driving force that led many men to know freedom from abuse. No matter how busy he was, he always had time to sit and talk with those who were hurting and needed a good ear and an open heart. He will be sorely missed....forever.##imported-begin##Courageous Men##imported-end##

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December 28, 2008 at 05:17 AM



“ Christopher: Gregg and I would like to send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. If we can do anything for you, don;t hesitate to call. Take Care-  
Sue Kellmurray  
Gregg DeBernardis##imported-begin##Susan  
Kellmurray##imported-end##

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December 20, 2008 at 04:29 PM



“ My prayers and best wishes go to Danny's family. Dan was a quiet man always with a smile and a polite hello to greet you. You can be proud of his work at the House of the Good Shepherd. He was a calming factor to all the kids at the RTF. He will be missed greatly by the House of the Good Shepherd family. May the Lord Grant you rest and eternal peace Dan....##imported-begin##Rick  
Chainey##imported-end##

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December 19, 2008 at 08:50 AM



“ *Melva,*  
*I am so very sorry and shocked to hear about Danny. He and Jay*  
*can talk to their hearts content now.*  
*Missing you and keeping you in my prayers.*

*Cindy (Dr. Jadhon)##imported-begin##Cindy Wilcox##imported-*  
*end##*

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December 19, 2008 at 06:43 AM



“ *Danny, I will miss you so much, you have always been a great*  
*friend to me. I hope you will find peace and tranquility where you are*  
*now. I love you, pal.##imported-begin##Leslie VanNort##imported-*  
*end##*

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December 18, 2008 at 11:58 AM