



## Danny Joe Aikins

July 29, 1952 - June 29, 2020

Danny Joe Aikins, 67 of Chanute, KS died Monday, June 29, 2020 at his home. Danny was born July 29, 1952 at Neosho Memorial Hospital, the son of Roy Dale Aikins Sr. and Virginia Neagle Aikins of Humboldt, KS

Danny grew up in Chanute and Humboldt and graduated from Humboldt High School in 1970. Post-secondary education included North Central Kansas Technical School at Beloit, KS where he became certified in heavy equipment operation. He also completed courses at Allen County Community College and Neosho County Community College, The Foley-Belsaw Locksmithing course, and he graduated from the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center in Hutchinson, KS.

Danny joined the U.S. Army in 1972 and completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood. He completed AIT at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland in small arms repair, and served as division armorer for the 2nd Armored Division, 124th Maintenance Battalion, Company C "Hell on Wheels" at Ft. Hood, TX. He earned the rank of Sgt E5, serving from 1972 - 1975, and received an honorable discharge.

Dan was a precision machinist. For six years, he served as a police officer in Chanute. His work history included the summer after high school on wheat harvest, then heavy equipment construction at Melvern Dam, and employment

at Kustom Electronics, Chanute Fire Department, Midland Brake, GEO-Churchill, Inc., Parsons Precision Machine, Econo Machine, Chanute Police Department, Cleaver Farm and Home, B and W Truck Beds, USD 413 Transportation Maintenance and Orscheln Farm and Home.

On June 30, 1979, he married Julie Hagans at First Christian Church in Eldon, MO. She survives at the home.

Dan loved watching westerns and a few favorite classic movies. He loved watching Royals baseball and Chiefs football, and at various times, he enjoyed Harley motorcycles, classic firearms, and working with metal. The loves of his life were his three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy Dale, Sr. and Virginia Lea Neagle Aikins, his stepmother Vada Snodgrass Michael Aikins, two brothers; Roy Dale Aikins, Jr. and Ronald Earl Aikins, and one sister, Wanda Lea Aikins Poulter.

Survivors include his wife, Julie; one brother, George Wayne Aikins and wife Connie of Humboldt, KS, two stepsisters Glenda Aikins Hill and husband Randy of Humboldt, KS and Patricia Michael of Lawrence, KS; two stepbrothers, Max Michael and wife Cindy, and Joe Michael and wife Linda of Humboldt, KS; brother-in-law Lynn Hagans and wife Cindy of Eldon, MO; his two sons, daughters-in-laws and grandchildren, Grant Evan and Melisa Higginbotham Aikins and Ellie Jean and Evan Reed Aikins; and Kevin Ross and Katlyn Leslie Aikins and Connor Wade Aikins, all of Chanute, and numerous aunts, one uncle, and cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and one great-great nephew on the way.

Cremation has been requested and a private family service will be held at a later date. Memorials have been suggested to the First Christian Church in

Chanute, or the charity of your choice and mailed or left with the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at: [www.countrysidefh.com](http://www.countrysidefh.com) Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720

# Tribute Wall

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“ Julie,  
We were so sorry to hear of Danny's passing.  
You are in our thoughts and prayers. I sure  
enjoyed my visit with him last Fall and am do  
glad I had the chance for a last visit. Growing  
up, I always looked up to him and thought he  
was just the best person to hang out with! He will be greatly missed.  
Love, Randy and Mia Neely



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**Randy Neely** - July 03, 2020 at 11:19 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Danny Joe Aikins.



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July 01, 2020 at 09:59 AM

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“ Aunt Corlee sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Danny Joe Aikins



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**Aunt Corlee** - June 30, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Danny Joe Aikins.*



June 30, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



**Shirley Hutton** - June 30, 2020 at 11:27 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Danny Joe Aikins.*



June 29, 2020 at 11:16 PM



“ *Linda Stanley Crismas lit a candle in memory of Danny Joe Aikins*



**Linda Stanley Crismas** - June 29, 2020 at 08:44 PM