



Daniel O'Leary Palmer

May 6, 1948 - January 5, 2025

Daniel O'Leary Palmer, 76, of Tallahassee, passed away Sunday, January 5, 2025, at his home.

He was preceded in death by his parents Dr. George and Marie O'Leary Palmer.

Born May 6, 1948, in Tallahassee, Dan graduated from Leon High School (1966), University of Notre Dame (1970) and Florida State University, College of Law (1973). While at Notre Dame he participated in the U.S. Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC).

Dan was a member of the Notre Dame Alumni Association and Good Shepherd Catholic Church.

His professional life included working with the Ausley & McMullen law firm, private practice, and

Office of General Counsel of the City of Jacksonville, Florida. After retiring from the practice of law,

Dan was Executive Director of Prisoners of Christ, serving men and women ex-offenders returning to Duval County from prison.

His joys included religiously following the Notre Dame Fighting Irish football

team and time with friends and loved ones including regular breakfasts with Leon High School buddies at Nick's Restaurant. Dan is survived by his brother, George Saxon Palmer, Jr. (Betsy), two sisters, Lucile Saxon Palmer (Bill Brinson), and Bridget Palmer Booth (Ed), and several nieces and nephews. His sister, Agnes Park Palmer, predeceased him.

A Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, January 30, at 11:00 a.m., at Good Shepherd Catholic Church (4665 Thomasville Road), with a reception following in the church's parish hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation be made to Leon County Humane Society, 413 Timberlane Road, Tallahassee, FL 32312; or to Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 4665 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, FL 32309.

Rocky Bevis and Dayne Parker of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) are assisting the family with their arrangements.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Many memories of our good times together. May you rest in the peace of our Lord, dear friend. Marolyn Palmer Slusher*

Marolyn Louise Slusher - January 14, 2025 at 10:45 PM

BP

“ *I remember Dan fondly. I pray his family finds peace in knowing God has him in His care. I lived behind the Palmer house during high school and Dan and I hung out frequently. I had the biggest crush on him and declared to myself that I would marry him so I didn't have to change my last name. I'm Barbara Palmer and I asked Dan to the Snowball (I think that's the name) dance. He became a dear close friend during high school. I will remember him always! I am comforted he is in a glorious place. God Bless his family.*

Barbara Palmer - January 13, 2025 at 02:15 PM

ML

Great memory Barbara! What girl at Leon did NOT have a crush on Dan?? Well said! Love and prayers to his family. Mary Brant (Jackson) Landon

Mary Brant (Jackson) Landon - January 14, 2025 at 04:57 PM

CW

“ So sad to hear the news of Dan’s passing. He and I go way back to elementary school (probably first grade), middle and high school). We also lived somewhat close, on opposite sides of Capitol City Country Club. We didn’t have a lot of contact after high school but over the years I would sometimes hear or read something about Dan. I especially enjoyed seeing him at various school reunions, including the most recent 56th reunion for the Leon class of 1966.

Best wishes and prayers to the remaining members of the Palmer family! My sister Jane was in Park’s class and my younger brother Bill was in Bridget’s. And I’m sure George knows my older brother James (Jim) Wadsworth. And, of course, we all were patients of Dr. Palmer during our youth.

Charlie Wadsworth

Charlie Wadsworth - January 13, 2025 at 12:58 PM

JR

“ Sending love to the Palmer family! Have many memories of running through the Palmer house across from the golf course playing with Dan and Park! Dan ‘s parents were my younger brother Bill’s God parents. Jane Wadsworth Reynolds

Jane Wadsworth Reynolds - January 13, 2025 at 11:54 AM