



Daniel Lee Gerth, Sr.

March 13, 1943 - March 7, 2020

Daniel Lee Gerth Sr, 76, of McKinney, TX, passed away Saturday, March 7, 2020 in Dallas, TX. He was born March 13, 1943 in Seymour, IN to Eldo and Mabel Gerth. Dan married Karen Marie Batterham on February 22, 1971 in Las Vegas, NV. He served as a Sargent in the United States Marine Corps until 1969. Dan retired from Nortel Networks in 2001. Dan was a beloved and devoted husband, family was very important to him, and he was greatly admired and respected by them as well. He loved Nascar, gardening and playing cards with his family.

Dan is survived by his son, Daniel Gerth Jr and wife Kathy Gerth of Arkansas; his daughter Melanie McColm and husband K.C. McColm of California; five grandchildren, Lee Gerth, Alexandra Gerth, April Gerth, Erin McColm and Payton McColm; and one sister, Teresa Kriete and husband Steven of Seymour, IN.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents, Eldo and Mabel, his brother Ronald, and his wife Karen. Dan requested before his passing that no services be conducted. Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center

To send a flower arrangement to the family of Daniel Lee Gerth, Sr., please [click here](#) to visit our Sympathy Store.

Tribute Wall

DS

“ So sad to hear this news. I have nothing but fond memories of working with Dan at Nortel. What a great guy! Sincere condolences to the family.

Debra Skyta - March 13, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Love you Dad!

March 12, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Dan and Melanie. I Loved working with your dad. He was so nice to me. One time Guy and I were at your house in Cali. You guys had this old potted evergreen Xmas tree that the cat kept using as a litter box. Your mom held out hope for the poor little tree. You dad just laughed at it. We took it home and planted it. It was beautiful. They were always fun to be around.

Sherry Haines - March 12, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ i too cherished working with dan. i came on after colleen (hi colleen!) and grew close with dan and his wife. we had so many good conversations, our dearest now though was just a couple weeks ago. im heartbroken he is gone...

lisa hughes carlson - March 11, 2020 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ I am very sad to learn about Dan's passing. My condolences go out to the family. I always look back on the great times working for Dan at Nortel in San Ramon. A lot of interesting times but always fun. I remember talking NASCAR with Dan and watching races with him. I miss those days and I will always miss Dan. RIP.

Kim Reis - March 11, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Very sad news for me. My sympathies to Melanie, Dan Jr, Theresa and your families. Love to you all. John Tracey

John Tracey - March 11, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences and strength to the family

March 10, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ I have nothing but fond memories of Dan. We worked together waaaay back in the early 90's at what was then called "Northern Telecom." His laughter and joking always made me smile, especially at staff meetings. Just one look and we would both crack up. He also offered me sage marriage advice, as I was a newlywed during our work time together. Rest in peace dear man. Know that I am laughing with you as you re-unite with your dear wife, Karen. Prayers of family strength and comfort for his family as they learn to live without this dear man.

Colleen Couron Smith - March 10, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Say hi to Janis for me!

Laura Moore - March 10, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Dan was one of my first bosses in telecom around 1997Great guy, down to earth, and made me laugh a lot. Praying for the Gerth Family. God bless

March 10, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept my deepest condolences for your loss Dan. May all his loved ones receive the Peace that passes all understanding during this time of change. God bless you and yours brother.

Gerald Garcia - March 10, 2020 at 12:00 AM