



## Danny Waltrip

February 20, 1947 - May 5, 2023

Danny Charles Waltrip, 76, Carbondale, Kansas, passed away on May 5, 2023.

Dan was born in Camp, Arkansas, on February 20, 1947, the son of Charles and Anice Waltrip. His family moved to Kansas in 1956, when Dan was a child, and he grew up on a farm near Overbrook, Kansas. He graduated from Overbrook High School in 1965 and attended Butler Community College before deciding to enlist in the United States Air Force in 1967. Dan started working for the US Postal Service in 1971 and retired in 2002 as a Maintenance Technician.

Dan and Sheila Waltrip were married for 55 years, and they had one daughter, Nancy. Sheila and Nancy are surviving. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Dan loved hunting, including a Big Game Hunting Adventure in South Africa, fishing, and riding an ATV on back roads, enjoying the beautiful scenery, and watching for wildlife. He was great at planning group vacations and especially enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Dan traveled to many countries with family and friends; this included Africa, Australia, China, Europe, Ireland, Iceland, Mexico, and Costa Rica to name a few.

Dan was extremely kind-hearted and cared for everyone he met. He rarely met anyone he did not like. He was the kind of person who would listen to conversations and then quietly say the funniest thing to make the entire room laugh. Dan always had a great joke to tell.

Dan was exceedingly creative and could repair something in the most unique way to make it work. He truly loved his family, friends, and anyone he met. He will be greatly missed.

A casual celebration of life gathering will be 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 10, 2023, in the meeting room at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1351 SW Arvon Place, Topeka KS 66615. Dan's family asks guests to share their memories and funny stories.

In lieu of flowers and plants, memorial contributions may be made to the Salt River Wild Horse Management Group (SRWHMG) or to Honor Flight, and sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com).

# Previous Events

## **A Celebration of Life**

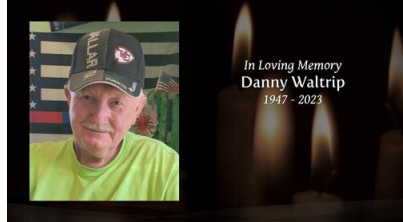
JUN **10**. 2:30 PM (CT)

Hilton Garden Inn Meeting Room  
1351 SW Arvon Place  
Topeka, KS 66615

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Danny Waltrip* ”



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**Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - June 07, 2023 at 03:45 PM**

DN

“ Sheila and family, We are so sorry to discover the passing of Dan. We were friends in Las Vegas while in the Air Force. The memory that lingers is one evening Dan and Sheila came to our apartment on Maryland Parkway in Las Vegas. They parked right in front on that busy street. We were on the second floor and once there we all decided to cruise the Vegas Strip. We went out our back door and down the steps to take our VW Bug to town. When we returned, we visited for a while at the apartment. Sheila and Dan said good night and left. A few minutes later they were back knocking on the door. While we were all gone some crazy driver came flying down the street and struck Dans car (thinking a 64 Chev but not sure) Anyway, there was a note on the window of the car to call the police which he did. They explained why his car was totaled and was given all the info that was needed. Of course, we were all sad that it happened and took them home. I am sure it was an ordeal and hassle to get all the insurance issues worked through. The four of us also took a trip to Disneyland, traveling at night with the windows rolled down to try to beat the heat which didn't work. We had a great time and those were fun days. Thank you for being a part of that weird part of all of our lives. We will see you again in Heaven Dan!

Sincerely,

Doug and Loree Nelson, Olalla, Washington

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Doug and Loree Nelson - August 12, 2024 at 03:54 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Danny Waltrip.



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June 08, 2023 at 10:16 PM

DR

“ Some of my fondest memories as I child, were of the fishing trips my Uncle Dan took me on, even though he always 'cut the faces off' (🤪 inside joke). These trips meant so much to me in my youth, and even more to me as an adult. I'm so thankful I was able to express that to him, during last family reunion. His calm demeanor, great attitude, care for family and amazing sense of humor are all attributes which I look toward, when I think what defines a man. Love you Uncle Dan, always.

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**Drake** - June 05, 2023 at 09:06 PM

MA

“ Leonard & I have many fond memories of fun times together as couples with brother Al & wife Jana. Leo probably has more school & sport memories than I do. I do remember Dan as a kind & generous person with a big heart! I can still hear his voice. May he rest in peace. Prayers for the family & our sincere condolences. Leonard & Marcia Atchison

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**Marcia Atchison** - June 02, 2023 at 05:42 PM

MO

“ Dan and I were two of the thirty three ORHS class of 1965 graduates. We both loved hunting and spent many fall days pursuing the elusive quail population in Osage County. The Quail had more than an even chance because we never had a dog. I especially remember one hunt that involved prairie chicken. We were somewhere not too far west of their farm. If you've hunted Prairie Chicken you know that you usually had to stake out a territory that you hoped they would fly over. Well, the chickens we stumbled across must have been young because we found a "covey" that came up like quail! They made one heck of a noise coming up out of cover. We had a great time in high school. Played together on the 1964-5 Undefeated Football team that wasn't supposed to be that good! My Facebook page has a picture taken of us in the ORHS high school gym after our victory over Pomona. Sweet. Although we went our separate ways after high school I have fond memories of time with Dan. I'm pleased but not surprised that he led a good life. RIP my friend.

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Michael Gary O'Bryhim - May 30, 2023 at 12:34 PM

WA

“ Dan was more like a brother to me, although he was my Nephew! I was just 5 years older than him and we spent lots of time together as young boys! We affectionately called him Captain Dan, after a houseboat trip on Lake Powell! He will be greatly missed!

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Waltripdj@suddenlink.net - May 26, 2023 at 07:00 PM