

Daniel Lee Russell, age 78, passed away on October 2, 2019 in Fargo, ND after a long illness. Dan was born on August 5, 1941 to Carl and Elma (Marlow) Russell in Morris, MN. The family moved to rural Kensington, MN where Dan grew up since the age of 6 months. Dan purchased the farm from his parents and farmed until moving to Alexandria in 2007. Dan was a very intelligent individual with four bachelor's degrees in Math, Biology, Psychology and Philosophy and a Masters of Economics. He lived an adventurous life including traveling the world while working for a construction company. He held a variety of jobs throughout the years in addition to farming before retiring in 2001 as a Draftsman/Engineer.

Dan served his country in the Navy from January 1964 until 1968. He shared memories of serving two tours in Kodiak, Alaska. He also served in the Vietnam War as a Corpsman (Medical Specialist), CB, and Special Forces having received medals for his service.

Dan was an avid hunter, fisherman, and poker player. Dan was always willing to share his amazing adventures with his family and friends. He was well known for his trickster personality, dry humor, and making people laugh.

Dan was united in marriage to Mary (Bjoralt) Alm on June 13, 1987. There were not many days missed telling his wife, "Love my Baby." He is survived by his wife and best friend of 32 years, Mary; three daughters, Dawn (Dwayne) Winkels, Sheri Randall, and Cindy (Kelly) Eiden. He is also survived by six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, Natasha Randall, Jacob (Anna) Winkels, Elizabeth (Riley Mickelson) Winkels, Tiarra Randall, Ryan Eiden and Jenna Eiden, Asher Winkels and Owen Winkels. He is also survived by several sister-in-laws, brother-in-laws, nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Elma; four brothers, James Russell, Stanley Russell, Robert Russell and Maurice Russell, as well as his very best friend, Doc Udem.

In Loving Memory

Daniel Lee Russell

August 5, 1941



October 2, 2019



Memorial Service

Anderson Funeral Home
Alexandria, Minnesota
Monday, October 7, 2019
2 PM

Officiant

Gary Russell

Honorary Urnbearers

Natasha Randall	Tiarra Randall
Jacob Winkels	Ryan Eiden
Elizabeth Winkels	Jenna Eiden

Musical Selections

“Go Rest High on That Mountain”
“The Prayer”
“Amazing Grace”

Military Honors

Alexandria Veterans Honor Guard

*We call you Hubby, Grandpa, Step Dad or Dandy
And you say Love you or Love my Baby
We will cherish your stories from your grand life
adventures*

*Giving us your gift of joy and laughter
And teaching us your incredible knowledge
All while surrounding us with your love
Fly up now with your spirit cardinal
Rest without pain finally*

*Run with Riley, Nipper and all the others
I imagine you've already started heaven adventures
Teaching God Poker, maybe building a heaven casino
Playing a game with or joke on while reuniting with
loved ones*

*I also imagine heaven looks like Kodiak with all the
nature beauty
Or the Russell farm, lake and land where you are fishing
or hunting*

*Send us angels to remind us of your gifts of joy and
laughter*

And surround us with forever memories and love.

(Written by Dawn Winkels)

Psalm 126:2

*Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue
with shouts of joy; then they said among the nations “The
Lord has done great things for them”.*

