



## Daniel Joseph Keleher

August 2, 1936 - September 29, 2016

Daniel Joseph Keleher, Sr, owner of Keleher Outdoor Advertising, died Thursday, September 29, 2016 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Daniel was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma on August 2, 1936 to parents F.J. and Cornelia (Meier) Keleher. He attended Cascia Hall, and was a member of the 1954 graduating class. Daniel then enrolled in Notre Dame where he earned a degree in business. During his Senior year, he took a class in Outdoor Advertising, and then realized he was destined for a career in the Billboard Business. After college, Daniel took his first job with General Outdoor Advertising.

On September 10, 1960, Daniel married Dixie Shears in Anadarko, Oklahoma. Dixie preceded him in death on June 16, 2004.

As they raised their six children, Daniel worked for various advertising companies, in Texas, Oklahoma, Iowa, Ohio, and Nebraska.

In 1975, Daniel purchased United Outdoor Advertising in Bartlesville. He grew this business into the largest family owned billboard company in Oklahoma.

On October 15, 2005, he married Joyce Thompson-Tindel in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Daniel loved life, and was often heard saying "This is LIVIN'!" He enjoyed traveling, dining, Notre Dame football, and the outdoor advertising business.

Daniel was honored to be in the National Outdoor Advertising Association of America Hall of Fame.

He was deeply involved with the Bartlesville community; a member of Kiwanis,

Noon Rotary, a past President of the Bartlesville Symphony, and an Ambassador for the Chamber of Commerce.

Daniel was a lifelong Catholic and was a member of the St. James Catholic Church since 1975 although he attended Mass wherever he was at the time. Daniel is survived by his wife Joyce of the home, his children, Dan Keleher, Jr. and his wife Janie of Bartlesville, Rita Mohler and husband Chris of Denver, Colorado, Theresa Merrifield and husband Mike of Bartlesville, Stephanie Lightle and husband Grant of Bentonville, Arkansas, Cathy Lee and husband Colin of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, and Barbara and husband Lieutenant Colonel Robert Garbarino of Columbia, South Carolina and step children Jeff Tindel of Bartlesville, Jared Tindel and wife Becky of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Jennifer Tindel of Wichita, Kansas. Grandchildren Abbie Keleher Jolley and husband Michael, Nick Keleher, Katie Keleher, Benjamin Mohler, Ryan Mohler, Sophie Mohler, Alex Merrifield, Jenna Merrifield, Rhianna Lightle, Cade Lightle, Mason Lee, Savannah Lee, Madison Lee, Isabella Garbarino, Malia Garbarino, Lorelei Garbarino, Mark Garbarino and step grandchildren Kylee Tindel, Korynn Tindel, Konner Tindel, Kaleb Tindel and Kayson Tindel. Daniel was preceded in death by two brothers, Thomas and Gerald.

A Rosary will be said Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in the Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:00 A.M. Thursday, October 6, 2016 at St. John Before The Latin Gate Catholic Church in Bartlesville, with Interment to follow in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mary Martha Outreach, 1845 W. 4th Street, Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003. (918)337-3703

Friends who wish, may sign the online guestbook and leave condolences at [www.stumpff.org](http://www.stumpff.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Park Cemetery

4200 Nowata Rd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006

# Previous Events

## Rosary

OCT 5. 7:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel  
1600 SE Washington Blvd  
Bartlesville, OK 74006  
(918) 333-4300  
<http://www.Stumpff.org>

## Mass

OCT 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John Catholic Church  
715 S. Johnstone Ave  
Bartlesville, OK 74003  
(918) 336-4353  
<http://stjohn-bartlesville.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ Daniel Joseph Keleher

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ Daniel Joseph Keleher

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ We first encountered Dan when a meeting was called by Marta Manning at Saint James Church to have a community gathering. The consensus was to have a party. What kind of party. Well whatever its theme Dan insisted we have a Champagne Fountain to give it elegance. That fountain was a main stay throughout the 32 year history of Mardi gras at the Church. When our son Michael enrolled in Notre Dame we were invited to Dan and Dixie's home to enjoy Notre Dame football games which we did for many years. We have fond memories of Dan cheering while Frank remained cautious until the final gun. Those were the days when we got to know the Keleher children and eventually Dan's grandchildren. Nortre Dames loses only dimmed the camaraderie briefly as friendships blossomed with family stories shared. Those were the best of times! So move over Gipper forevermore when the team is at its low we will cheer "Win won for Dan!"

Joe and Roseanne Shveima

Joe Shveima - October 07, 2016 at 09:38 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Daniel Joseph Keleher .*



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October 04, 2016 at 07:23 PM



“ *Prayers, sympathy and sincerest condolences from Barry Collier at McAnaw Construction.*



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**Barry Collier** - October 04, 2016 at 10:38 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Daniel Joseph Keleher .*



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October 03, 2016 at 08:46 PM



“ *The Alfreds and Batys purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Daniel Joseph Keleher .*



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**The Alfreds and Batys** - October 03, 2016 at 02:00 PM

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“ *G. Fisher Construction Company. purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Daniel Joseph Keleher .*



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**G. Fisher Construction Company.** - October 03, 2016 at 11:32 AM

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“ *Denny, John and I have many wonderful memories of Dan and his family at Grand Lake. We all had lots of laughs listening to Dan's many stories as we sat around the pool. He will be missed*  
*Gail and Denny Cresap*

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**Gail Cresap** - October 02, 2016 at 11:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Daniel Joseph Keleher .*



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October 01, 2016 at 03:28 PM

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“ *We will always remember Dan for his spirit of life and Notre Dame football! We will miss his quick wit. He was a true friend. When he gets to Heaven echoes of "This is Livin" will be heard Hope to see you one day again friend. Steve & Diane Leroux*

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**Steve & Diane Leroux** - September 30, 2016 at 03:29 PM