



Daniel Porter

April 21, 1975 - May 8, 2018

“How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard.” - Winnie the Pooh. Daniel Porter just turned 43 when he passed away in Denver, CO. For those who knew him, you know how he could light up a room with his beautiful smile and contagious laugh. He was your best friend because he lured you with his sweet charm and quick wit. He grew up in Toledo where he attended St. Patrick’s of Heatherdowns School, St. Johns Jesuit and the University of Dayton. While in Denver, Dan worked at Janus Capital where he was a Bond Financial Analyst specializing in global automotive and defense sectors. His work as an analyst took him around the world where he met with industry leaders from Ford, GM, Chrysler, TESLA, BMW, VW, UAW and Teamsters. He was passionate about the auto industry and looked forward to attending the yearly auto shows from Detroit to Paris.

Dan loved sports, music and photography. He was a star athlete in football, hockey and lacrosse, as well as an accomplished photographer and musician. His love for photography brought him to incredible destinations with one of his most memorable being able to photograph the silverback gorillas in Rwanda. The beauty of nature and the outdoors inspired him, whether it was skiing or biking in the Rockies, fly fishing in Wyoming, or scuba diving in Belize.

He is survived by his parents, Dr. Michael and Beverly Porter of Toledo, sister Jennifer VanDeVoorde and husband Mark from Bethlehem, PA, and brother

Dr. Michael Porter Jr., wife Leticia and “soon to be” baby nephew Henry of Chicago, IL.

Ceremonies will be private at a later date. Coyle Funeral Home will handle arrangements. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a memorial donation in Dan’s honor to the Toledo Humane Society. Online condolences may be left on the Coyle website by visiting www.CoyleFuneralHome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Daniel Porter.*



December 18, 2018 at 04:22 PM



“ *Dr. and Mrs. Porter:
I literally just learned of this terrible news (on December 18, 2018), and am so very sorry for your loss. I still remember playing football in your yard in Toledo while in grade school at St. Pat's on Heatherdowns; playing Atari; going to see Star Wars movies with Dan; watching MTV Van Halen, etc.; eating grilled corn on the cob at your house; and going to Laurel Hill. While it was many many years since I saw Dan, I always will cherish those memories, and wishing you and family the best, particularly as we approach the Holiday Season.*

*God Bless,
Michael Duffy
Chicago*

Michael Duffy - December 18, 2018 at 10:56 AM

KC

“ I am so sorry for your loss Porter family. I was Dan’s roommate at UD when we “lived” in Pine Club. My last name is Cosentino and our 3rd roommates last name is Venturino. Dan was a bit jealous so he named himself Porterfino. Many games a foosball, beer, and good music. Dan had an infectious personality and always made you laugh. Dan will be sorely missed and I feel fortunate that he was in my life for a brief time.

Kevin Cosentino - June 05, 2018 at 08:06 PM

MC

“ Porter Family,
I had many friends that attended Dayton. On many occasions I met and hung out with Dan. He had an engaging personality and I will think of him often. Just wanted to let you know he made a difference in many lives. Prayers and kind wishes for all of you.

mike clarke - May 19, 2018 at 02:20 PM

 Mike
Dugas

“ *It is hard to find words to express how sad I am to hear this. We played some hockey together and were colleagues at Janus, in those incredibly magical years. We shared a dream and became family.*

I feel like we've lost a brother. But I have some comfort knowing that Dan probably felt, as I do, that our Janus journey was worth a thousand lifetimes. The family should be incredibly proud!

*My thoughts and prayers to the Porter family, and Dan's friends everywhere,
Mike Dugas,
Denver*



Mike Dugas - May 17, 2018 at 11:45 AM

BP

Thank you Mike, for your comforting words and for sharing good memories of Dan. He was a special guy who really loved his friends, and you were one of them 😊

Beverly Porter - May 17, 2018 at 09:31 PM

HD

“ *Mike, Bev and family - we are very sorry for your loss of Dan. We never met Dan but feel like we know him through you & the attributes we read in the paper. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers.*

Harry & Judy Dewitz

Harry & Judy Dewitz - May 17, 2018 at 07:06 AM

MF

“ Dear Porter family,

I am deeply sorry to hear that Dan is gone. I cannot begin to imagine the grief you are feeling. I pray that time will help you begin to heal as you face this massive, unimaginable loss.


Dan was a very important person in my life. I will always cherish him for his endless kindness, empathy, sense of adventure, and love of life.

I will keep him and all of you in my prayers.

*All my best to you all,
Melissa Floren*

Melissa Floren - May 14, 2018 at 12:40 PM

BE

It was so good to hear from you, Melissa. You were indeed a very important part of Dan's life. Thank you so much for your kind words 

Beverly - May 23, 2018 at 03:19 PM

LA

“ Dear Mike, Bev, and family,

What a shock when we opened the paper Sunday morning to see Daniel's picture. I just was in to see Mike on Thursday and asked about all the kids. He said everyone was fine and he was going to be a Grandfather. We are so sorry and are praying for the family. May God give comfort to you and all your family. We will pray for all of you in this time of sadness.

Ora and Luann Alleman

Luann Alleman - May 14, 2018 at 12:26 PM

SG

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. May you look to God for comfort and strength during this difficult time. Isaiah 41:10 says “Do not be afraid, for I am with you. Do not be anxious, for I am your God. I will fortify you, yes, I will help you.

Sincerely ~ G.W. - May 13, 2018 at 10:28 PM

G.

May Jesus our God of comfort and peace continue to hold you all in the palm of His hand as you remember and celebrate Daniel's life legacy. He will not be forgotten in the hearts of all who knew him. These words of our risen Lord in song have always brought us hope and encouragement and we thoughtfully share: 'Be not afraid, I go before you always. Come, follow Me, and I will give you rest'.

G.W. - May 19, 2018 at 09:43 AM

RK

“ Dear Mike, Bev and family, we are so sorry to hear of Dan's passing. We remember the good old times, getting together with our families for cookouts at each other's homes. It was funny how the boys would bring the crayfish up from the creek behind your house. Dan always giggled in delight chasing the girls with those crayfish or whatever they were called. We will lift you up in prayer through this difficult time,

Rodger and Brenda Kern and family

Rodger Kern - May 12, 2018 at 08:56 PM

PL

“ Dear Mike, Beverly and family. We wish there were words that would help with your sorrow but we want you to know how much we love and care for you. We never met Dan but feel we know him from the wonderful stories you have told and the great tributes we have read. You are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless you and your family.

Bob and Patti Lohner

Patti Lohner - May 12, 2018 at 07:05 PM

 Vedo
Candiello

“ Dr. and Mrs. Porter, Mike, and Jenny, I am sorry for your loss and saddened by this news. Have known Dan for a long time. Lots of unforgettable memories. Truly, one of the funniest and funnest people to be around.

Respectfully,

Mike Candiello

The photo is Breckenridge 1995.



Vedo Candiello - May 11, 2018 at 07:22 PM

MD

Dan Porter was a great guy and someone I always looked up to and admired since we met in high school. RIP

Matt DeWood - May 11, 2018 at 08:47 PM

JV

Vedo Candiello is a name I haven't heard in a long time- but one that is very familiar!! Thank you for your wonderful tribute. Dan loved you and our family thanks you! xoxo

Jennifer Van De Voorde - May 11, 2018 at 11:48 PM

BB

Great picture, Vedo.

I haven't spoken to Dan in quite a few years but have thought about him often. I am very sad about this news. As a father, my heart goes out to his parents. As a brother, I can't imagine losing a sibling at such a young age.

We had some great times together. I went to my first Phish show with Dan at the Nutter Center in 1995, Mardi Gras with his UD crew, many fun nights in Toledo back in high school, parties at his parents house, and the list could go on. He was truly loved by all. What a funny, smart, and good looking dude! Rest in peace, my friend. Too soon gone.

Brett Burns - May 17, 2018 at 01:45 PM

JO

“ Heavy hearts...

I am so sorry that your pain was so great. That we couldn't have helped Dan. We love you. And will miss you a lot.

I took this photo from your Apartment a few months ago, with you. As photography was your favorite hobby.

My heart goes out to your family. And each one of you that knew him.

Respectfully,

John



John - May 11, 2018 at 05:41 PM

JM

Hi John, reach out to me if your in Colorado as well be having celebration of Dan's life here in Denver. We'd like to gather all of his friends together. Let me know, at your convenience, Josh Mariea - 303.918.5576 🙏

Josh Mariea - May 17, 2018 at 10:14 PM



“ Dear Mike and Beverly,
 Words are so difficult at this time but Charlie and I send you our kindest thoughts and deepest sympathy Losing your son, Dan, is not the proper order of life. Hold on to the happy memories and accept the support of family and close friends to help soothe your grief in the days, weeks and months ahead.
 May the Lord embrace you and your family in His loving arms.

Sincerely,
 Charlie and Sally Marlowe

sally marlowe - May 11, 2018 at 02:08 PM



“ Beverly, Mike, Jenny & Mike - our sincere sympathy. I remember Dan was always the fun, happy, enjoyable kid to be around through all those years at St. Pat's and St. John's. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Mel and Paulette Kwiatkowski

Paulette Kwiatkowski - May 11, 2018 at 02:04 PM



“ Bev, Mike and family we are so sorry for the loss of Dan. Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this very sad time.
 Mike and Kathy Bowes

Kathleen Bowes - May 11, 2018 at 12:20 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Michael McCorquodale - May 11, 2018 at 10:46 AM

JV

Thank you Mike McCorquodale. Love this!

Jennifer Van De Voorde - May 11, 2018 at 11:51 PM

MM

Dan looks great!

Michael McCorquodale - May 12, 2018 at 04:01 PM

AD

“ *I am so very saddened to hear this news. When my children were little, we lived in Toledo and his parents were dear friends. I remember Dan when he was a child and my children attended St. Patrick with him. My thoughts and prayers are with this family.*

Ann (Zargari) Driggs

Ann (Zargari) Driggs - May 11, 2018 at 10:29 AM

MM

“ I can't believe the news that Dan is no longer with us. I grew up with him at St. Pat's in Toledo and have fond memories of jumping skateboards off his launch ramp, although he was significantly better at it than I. I also remember playing on the football team together. He was certainly athletic, but also charismatic and just plain fun to be around. He will be missed and my thoughts and prayers are with the Porter family.

Michael McCorquodale - May 11, 2018 at 10:25 AM

BF

“ I am shocked to hear of the passing of Dan. I attended grade school with him and high school as well. I cannot believe he is gone. I lost touch with Dan after high school, but he will always be remembered. Whether it was spending time at his house swimming while in grade school to playing football with him while at St. John's High School. I always find Dan to be a great human being. He was always there to make me laugh. My deepest condolences go out to the Porter family! You will now and forever be in my thoughts and prayers!

Brian Fischer

Brian Fischer - May 11, 2018 at 07:28 AM

DB

“ So saddened by the passing of Dan. He was a great guy, a great friend to many. He will be fondly remembered. My deepest condolences to the Porter family.

David Buganski

David Buganski - May 10, 2018 at 10:54 PM