



Daniel Wingate Foster

February 19, 1947 - February 19, 2015

Daniel Wingate Foster

of Berwyn, PA died on February 19th, 2015. He was born on February 19, 1947; graduate of Episcopal Academy, Merion, PA – Coll. Prep. 1965; Haverford College, Haverford, PA – B.A. 1969; Temple University School of Law, Philadelphia, PA – J.D. 1991

Served in the United States Marine Corps, Parris Island, S.C.; Camp Smith, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Daniel was a most generous and gracious and well-read man. An avid reader, often with several books going at once, and a towering TBR (to-be-read) pile, from Shakespeare to biographies to spy novels from Le Carré and others. Nor were such readings for himself, as he often quoted them in his writings and speech.

Daniel derived great joy in helping others by providing opportunity. Through a series of individually sponsored scholarships, Daniel enabled a number of promising students to receive the sort of secondary school education they could only have dreamed of otherwise, launching a number into successful careers.

He maintained his connection to The Episcopal Academy, serving on the Board of Trustees for a number of years, underwriting some epic reunion gatherings – first at the Rittenhouse Club, then the Philadelphia Zoo, and finally at the Corinthian Yacht Club, and repeatedly providing effective challenge opportunities enabling the Class of '65 to capture Annual Giving Honors for quite a few years.

He served on the Board and as the Treasurer of The Philadelphia Art Alliance, as a longtime member and officer of the Rittenhouse Club, a subscriber of The Assemblies, a member of the Bach Oratorical Society and Bach Festival, a member of the IVth Street Club, and a member of the Merion Cricket Club.

A longtime parishioner at St. David's Church, Wayne, PA, he was often called upon to assist with the services, where his answer was always without any question or hesitation, "of course".

In all, he never sought the spotlight and often insisted on remaining anonymous, gifts and leadership often being from A. Nony Mouse.

Success in business was not enough for Daniel's gifted and inquiring mind. A proud Marine veteran, he dealt with mid-life issues by entering law school and excelling in his work there. Never ceasing in his fascination for arcane federal court decisions or the rule against perpetuities, he nonetheless polished his practical legal skills as a long-serving volunteer legal services attorney, donating his time and talent to those in need.

A loyal friend, a bon-vivant, a Shakespeare scholar, a classical music buff, a voracious reader and a passionate college football enthusiast, Dan left all who knew him not only entertained but also deeply enriched.

He is survived by his brothers Timothy Foster (Dorothy) and Benjamin R.

Foster (Karen), his sister-in-law Margaret Foster (widow of his late brother Richard C. Foster), five nieces and a nephew.

Contributions in his memory would be gratefully received by The Episcopal Academy, 1785 Bishop White Drive, Newtown Square, PA 19073, and St. David's Church, 763 Valley Forge Rd, Wayne, PA 19087.

Burial and services are private.

Tribute Wall

CH

“ Hey Ruth, I've slept under Your roof. Tim u were the guy who grunted but we're gracio. Doesn't anyone want to know what a great man your brother was? Call me. Pic to be posted. It's the time he asked me to wait.

Christopher Harrison - February 05, 2018 at 08:11 PM

CH

“ Funny how Kevin mc p and Brian knew of this site three years ago yet never said a kind word

Christopher Harrison - February 05, 2018 at 08:05 PM

CH

“ I miss you

Christopher Harrison - February 05, 2018 at 08:03 PM

CH

“ Fosterchow gone but never forget



Christopher Harrison - February 05, 2018 at 08:00 PM

CH

“ No one else thinks of your imperfect u
I do and think of u every day
I only hope someone holds me in such high regard. Xo
If Linda or walker f reads this. Please give me a call My number is
the same.

Christopher Harrison - February 05, 2018 at 07:44 PM

CH

“ I remember our first trip to key west when he bought his Watson st
house, then years of enjoyment. Then Bermuda and overseas. I
wish I could have been on the last concord flight with him but I was
on ship in the Mediterranean. He asked me to go but as I was
unable I missed out on the savoy with him as we had enjoyed their
hospitality before. I don't think anyone misses Dan as much as I do
after spending so many years together.

Christopher Harrison - March 09, 2017 at 08:57 PM

PJ

“ You have my sincere condolences and apologies for the lateness of
this message, but I just learned of Daniel's death from our alumni
office.
Daniel always had a smile and/or humorous story to lift our spirits as
"confused, depressed, and overworked(or so we felt)
underclassmen at Haverford.
He was a positive force on campus and a good friend to many.

Peter Johnstone - August 14, 2015 at 05:01 PM

CH

“ Posted b4 to this site and my comments were removed.

Christopher Harrison - July 09, 2015 at 01:17 AM

CM

“ *Cmh lit a candle in memory of Daniel Wingate Foster*



cmh - April 13, 2015 at 05:47 AM

CH

“ *Christopher Harrison lit a candle in memory of Daniel Wingate Foster*



Christopher Harrison - March 09, 2015 at 12:23 AM

BR

“ *I truly I was old enough to appreciate Dan at the time I knew him best. What an amazing man dapper Dan was. The world is a much better place because of Dan.*

brian reef - March 05, 2015 at 12:19 PM

LW

“ *A gifted man of the highest regards, my friend and my mentor.*

Lance Wysong - February 28, 2015 at 02:20 AM