

Mr. Danny Garland

February 22, 1945 - October 17, 2017

Funeral services for Danny Garland, 72, of Frankfort, will be held Friday 12 noon at First United Methodist Church, Frankfort. Dr. Phil Hill will officiate with burial to follow at Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation will be held Thursday 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Friday 10 a.m. to noon at the church.

Danny was born in Indiana to James Brown, Sr. and Gladys Virginia Collins Garland. He graduated from Franklin County High School in the Class of 1963 and started his college career at Kentucky Wesleyan College from 1963-64 where he played basketball and baseball. He went on to graduate from Kentucky State University with a BA in teaching in 1968. He played baseball while at KSU. He became a teacher with the Franklin County Public School system, director of Federal Programs for the Ky. Dept. of Parks, and joined First Federal Savings Bank in 1975. He retired as President in 2007. He served as President of Central Kentucky League of Savings Institutions and Director of Kentucky Bankers Association Board of Director's.

Danny was always involved with his community serving as a former City Commissioner/Mayor Pro Tem; and working part time for the Parks and Recreation Department. He served as a President to many organizations such as the Red Cross and Chamber of Commerce. He was the founder of Frankfort's Multiple Sclerosis Society, Executive Director and Vice President of the Resource Office of Social Ministry. He continued his service working with the Easter Seal Society and serving as board member to Capital City Museum and the YMCA. Danny was a Hall of Fame member of Frankfort

Parks and Recreation and Franklin County High School. He received the Paul Sullivan Community Service Award from the Chamber of Commerce in 2013. He was a member of First United Methodist Church and the Optimist Club. Danny was preceded in death by siblings James Garland, Jr. and Gladys (Tootsie) Driesman. Survivors include his wife Marcia Garland, children Todd Garland, Julie Garland and Beth (Mike) McDonald, Nancy (Craig) Cumberledge, Sara Shaw, and Matthew (Briggs) Shaw; grandchildren Emma Stevenson, Dan McDonald, Ben McDonald, Maggie McDonald, Elizabeth & Bradshaw Cumberledge, Madison Carter, Blair, Cooper and George Shaw. Pallbearers will be Todd Garland, Mike McDonald, Matthew Shaw, Craig Cumberledge, Huston Wells, Bill Crumbaugh, Adam Nance and Mack Honaker.

Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church, Least of the Brethren Fund or Building Fund, 211 Washington St., Frankfort, KY 40601 or ROSM, P.O. Box 302, Frankfort, KY 40601. You may share memories and leave condolences on the tribute wall at ljtfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **19**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist
211 Washington Street
Frankfort, KY 40601
<http://www.firstumcfrankfort.com>

Visitation

OCT **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist
211 Washington Street
Frankfort, KY 40601
<http://www.firstumcfrankfort.com>

Funeral Services

OCT **20**. 12:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist
211 Washington Street
Frankfort, KY 40601
<http://www.firstumcfrankfort.com>

Tribute Wall

BJ

“*Marcia, What a beautiful funeral service and tribute to Danny. I have read the wonderful memories shared by so many friends. These must definitely bring blessings and comfort to you, Julie, Beth, Todd and all the other family members. A life well lived is a blessing forever. I thank my God for every remembrance I have of you. Philippians 1:3*

Our love and prayers, Bill and Joyce Jennings

Bill and Joyce Jennings - October 24, 2017 at 11:41 PM

JS

“*Danny Garland taught at Bald Knob Elementary School (7th and 8th grades) when I was in 7th grade. We LOVED him! He was young, fun, funny, and handsome, as well as being a good teacher. That was a long time ago, but we remember. He obviously went on to do great things. We were blessed to have him as a teacher, even for a short time. May God comfort the family and close friends during this time of grief.*

Jeanie Blaes Spears

Jeanie Spears - October 22, 2017 at 09:29 PM

MJ

“*The Garland family and loved ones of Danny are in my prayers. Isaiah 25:8, Revelations 21:4*

MJ,Dothan,Ala - October 21, 2017 at 07:40 PM

CP

“ *Danny was a very attractive man. But besides that he was very kind and seem to always have a smile on his face! I knew him back in highschool but after that I had lost track with him and his family. I am so sorry for the families loss! God be with all of you. Connie Parrish from Lexington, Ky*



Connie Parrish - October 20, 2017 at 02:16 AM

LP

“ *Dear Marcia and Family,*

We received news tonight, 10/19, that Danny had passed away. We are very saddened at his passing.

I, Larry Pulliam, lived several doors down from Danny when my family lived in Frankfort.

He was truly a great friend and neighbor. Danny helped us with our home loan over 41 years ago, where my wife and I still live in Georgetown. Danny also performed as Elvis at my high school class reunion several years ago. He did a great job!!! He will be greatly missed.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God comfort you and give you peace.

*Larry & Janice Pulliam
Georgetown, KY*

Larry and Janice Pulliam - October 20, 2017 at 01:16 AM

DW

“ My husband Gary Wilkins, member of First United Methodist Church in Frankfort, was in a Sunday school class with Danny & Marcia several years ago. At tonight's visitation, Gary shared with Marcia a Danny memory from that Sunday school class. Someone said that in their dreams, they were always falling. Danny replies that in his dreams he was always flying!

Tues Oct. 18, 2017 Danny indeed flew - home to God. Danny was wonderful Elvis impersonator ! Marcia, here's link to Elvis singing gospel hymn "Ill Fly Away."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=awLobCKYzjQ>

Dr. Angela R. Wilkins - October 19, 2017 at 10:58 PM

CH

“ Marcia and Family, You and yours are in our heart and prayers.....may your faith and precious memories comfort you now and in the days ahead. Sonny and I are so thankful for the opportunity to spend such special time at the Kentucky Wesleyan 50 year celebration so recently. May God bless and hold you close always.

With our love and caring, Christy and Sonny Hall

Christy and Sonny Hall - October 19, 2017 at 10:03 PM

CK

“ Carolyn Kinman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Garland



Carolyn Kinman - October 19, 2017 at 08:56 PM

RJ

“ Rick and Jenny purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of Mr. Danny Garland.



Rick and Jenny - October 19, 2017 at 06:12 PM



“ Danny was a saint in my eyes; those eyes teared, overflowed when I learned of his death.

For many years Danny, Marcia, and the First United Methodist Church (FUMC) provided financial, spiritual and housing support for my sister who had fallen on hard times. When my sister died in 2013, Danny and Marcia helped us clean out her things.

Danny and I were friends since grammar school, attended MYF at the First United Methodist Church, played baseball with and against each other and worked for Charlie Figg on various playgrounds in Frankfort.

Though I left Kentucky in 1972, Danny and I would see each other occasionally, most recently, this July, in Frankfort. In 2010 we had lunch together at the country club and visited with Danny and Marcia in their home. Great memory: he remembered things the rest of us had forgotten. Marveled at Danny's great collection of Dodger memorabilia and the trip scrapbooks Marcia had created to remember their many trips.

What beautiful tributes Danny's friends shared with Chanda Veno for her article today in The State Journal!

His obituary exemplifies what most of us would want the record to show had been our impact on our communities. How did this dear man find the time to do all these things?

Clearly, all of us who knew Danny, benefited immeasurably from our association with him.

Ricky Stephens (Columbia, SC)

Lowndes Stephens - October 19, 2017 at 06:06 PM

SS

“ *Shauna Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Garland*



Shauna Smith - October 19, 2017 at 04:40 PM

GG

“ *I am so sorry for your loss and am saying prayers for him and all of your family and friends. He lived a full life and did so much for the Franklin community and I know he'll be missed. Wishing all of God's support now during your time of sorrow and grief.*



Gina Gretz - October 19, 2017 at 04:18 PM

JM

“ *I want to extend my deepest condolences to Danny's friends & family and to my Aunt Martha and cousins Nancy, Sara & Matthew... I am so sad to hear this news and I am so grateful to know you all had this caliber of man in your lives. What an incredible individual he must have been. I wish I had gotten to know him. I love you all and I am heartbroken for you. May God comfort you always. Love Jess :)*

Jessica Perry McKinnon - October 19, 2017 at 03:23 PM

Dave
Perry

“ *Dave Perry lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Danny Garland*



Dave Perry - October 19, 2017 at 02:45 PM

Dave
Perry

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Love you all

Dave Perry - October 19, 2017 at 02:46 PM

SC

“ *Sandy Cochrane lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Danny Garland*



Sandy Cochrane - October 19, 2017 at 02:41 PM

SC

The world has lost a wonderful man. God's Blessings to his wonderful family.

Sandy Cochrane - October 19, 2017 at 02:42 PM

TB

“ *Garland Family,*

*So sad to hear of Danny's passing. Our family always admired him,
he was an exceptional man.*

Sending our prayers and love,

Trish, Jim and Lisa Bailey.

Trish Bailey - October 19, 2017 at 02:13 PM



“ *Patricia Denier lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Danny Garland*



Patricia Denier - October 19, 2017 at 01:12 PM

PB

“ *Danny Garland had a huge impact on my life. He was hero to me as a little kid when he played on the FCHS basketball team. I was lucky enough to have him as a coach for one year in High School and remember his ability to relate to all of each players. He was one of the men that inspired me to become a teacher and coach. I remember a talk he gave to the students at Western Hills High School when I was teaching there. Danny gave them a great lesson on the true things it takes to be successful, dedication, hard work, passion for what you do, and above all a concern for those with whom one comes in contact each day. When I heard yesterday of his passing I was shocked and deeply saddened. My thoughts and prayers go out to Danny's family and his closest friends.*

Phillip Bell

Phillip Bell - October 19, 2017 at 12:49 PM



Danny was so kind to everyone. He was so caring to do his Elvis shows for nursing homes and a faithful Christian. I am so sad about your loss, Marcia. God bless you and I am praying for you and your family.

Patricia Denier - October 19, 2017 at 01:16 PM

PA

“ *My condolences to the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time.*

Patti Porter

patti - October 19, 2017 at 12:22 PM

BH

“ *Beth Hammermeister lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Garland*



Beth Hammermeister - October 19, 2017 at 12:15 PM

DH

“ *As a former employee of First Federal, getting to know Danny was a pleasure. Though he was one of my bosses, he always felt like a friend. He was also a man of practical wisdom. I cherish those memories. He will definitely be missed.*

Doug Hamblin - October 19, 2017 at 11:51 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. Danny Garland.*



October 19, 2017 at 11:48 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. Danny Garland.*



October 19, 2017 at 11:35 AM

JH

“ *Danny was a wonderful person tat loved life*

Jackie Holman - October 19, 2017 at 09:35 AM

HR

“ *Danny was an icon in Frankfort. He touched so many lives and will always be remembered for his outstanding contributions to our city. God bless all of you and grant you peace and healing. Hollis Rosenstein*

Hollis Rosenstein - October 19, 2017 at 08:49 AM

DH

Danny was one of the best. Honest and straightforwardly and fun to be around. I remember him as a valuable community leader a referee and my freshman basketball coach. I'm not sure what happened but our area has lost one of the best.

DAVID HUGHES - October 19, 2017 at 11:43 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Danny Garland.*



October 19, 2017 at 08:44 AM

ST

“ *Sue And Eddie Tutt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Garland*



Sue and Eddie Tutt - October 19, 2017 at 08:21 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Mr. Danny Garland.*



October 19, 2017 at 07:50 AM



“ *Danny was one of the first people I met when came to Frankfort. His smile is one will never forget. He gave so much of himself to the community. Praying for all the family and friends who knew and loved him.*

Bonnie Aboud Clements - October 19, 2017 at 06:51 AM



“ *Danny was one of the first people we met when moving here. He arranged the mortgage on our home and remained a friend over the years. I worked with him in advertising for First Federal and also on projects at the C of C. He was a wonderfully, generous and caring person and our community has lost an amazing asset. RIP my friend.*

Meri Latek - October 19, 2017 at 04:03 AM

DW

“ Husband Gary and I first met Danny @First Federal. We moved to Frankfort in 1974, was ready to buy a house by 1978. No one would loan us buying funds. But Danny Garland helped us get a Building Loan, and we lived 23 years in our Tierra Linda home. In 2001 Danny helped us get loan for our present Discher Estates home. Gary attends First United Methodist Church, and this Good Shepherd woman attended several events of First United. Danny's musical gifts were shared in church choirs and those wonderful Madrigal productions



Danny's Elvis impersonations made him famous in our local area. Several posts suggested Danny and Elvis may be harmonizing now. Elvis had amazing song "Softly as I Leave you," true story about dying man in hospital whose wife had fallen asleep. As he was dying, he wrote the words that became "Softly as I leave you." His band member Sherrill Nelson sang this song, while Elvis was narrator - they harmonize at the end.

Precious Marcia, this link is for you ---in memory of a man Loved You Tender.
Angela Wilkins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zZbMz3KhyzA>

Dr. Angela R. Wilkins - October 19, 2017 at 02:52 AM

ST

That was beautiful Angela! I had never heard "Softly as I leave you!" What's a beautiful gift to Marcia and her family! Thank you for sharing. Danny was a very special guy who will be greatly missed!

Sue and Eddie Tutt - October 19, 2017 at 08:22 AM

CC

“ I went to school with Danny at Elkhorn and FCHS. You will hear that Danny was well respected as an adult, but that word respect could easily describe Danny throughout his school years. We were both 1963 FCHS grads. Our class remains close, and Danny has been very active in planning activities for our class. He surprised all of us with his Elvis impersonation at our class reunion. He was a gentle soul and friend I will miss. My prayers and thoughts are with Marsha and his family.

Carol Carpenter - October 18, 2017 at 10:47 PM

BS

“ Marcia & family, Wayne & I send sympathy to you in your time of loss. Danny was such a fun, wonderful guy. We know you will miss him. But we have a great hope in Christ. Today, he sees the face of God. We will keep you in our prayers in the weeks & months to come. Betty & Wayne Sayre

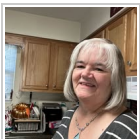
Betty Sayre - October 18, 2017 at 10:09 PM

PM

“ Patsy McChesney lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Garland



Patsy McChesney - October 18, 2017 at 09:54 PM



“ Rest in peace now Danny. You will be missed at The King;s Daughters Apartments. Thank you for your service as Board Member for the past 6 years. Prayers for your family. Our residents always enjoyed the visits from Elvis.

Darlene Pettibone - October 18, 2017 at 09:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Danny Garland.*



October 18, 2017 at 09:29 PM



“ *Dennis And Marlene Eads lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Garland*



Dennis and Marlene Eads - October 18, 2017 at 07:32 PM



“ *I am a retired employee of First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Hazard and I was blessed to meet Mr. Garland when FFSLH became sister banks with First Federal Savings Bank of Frankfort in 2005. Mr. Garland was always very kind to me and we were once given a tour of his beloved First Methodist Church of Frankfort. I am certain Mr. Garland will be missed and I pray that his family takes comfort in knowing he was a man of faith and his faith is now sight.*

Sincerely,

Debbie Bersaglia

Debbie Bersaglia - October 18, 2017 at 05:19 PM

KB

“ *Kendell & Nancy Butler lit a candle in memory of Mr. Danny Garland*



Kendell & Nancy Butler - October 18, 2017 at 02:37 PM

PH

Danny was my neighbor for several years. He was a wonderful Christian man. He will be missed., prayers for the family.. RIP

Pat House - October 19, 2017 at 11:14 AM

CR

Danny was a great guy, one of Frankfort's Finest. He will be missed.

Charles "Junie" Redden - October 20, 2017 at 08:35 AM