



## Daniel Wayne Messer

May 25, 1989 - January 19, 2025

Daniel Wayne Messer, age 35, left his pilgrim journey here on Earth to go to his Eternal home in Heaven on Sunday, January 19th, 2025. Daniel was born on Thursday, May 25th, 1989 in Newport, TN, and his second birth was on Thursday, May 30th, 2024. He was a 13 year student of Cosby School, graduating in 2007. Daniel regularly attended Faith, Hope, Love, Family Church where he made a faithful commitment and surrendered his life to God. That day, he came to realize his debt had been paid and was rescued from the chains of bondage he was in. Daniel's life was an example to many of what God can do. His testimony was shared throughout churches in the county. He was so talented, able to play any instrument he picked up and had a beautiful voice. Daniel will also be remembered by his sense of humor, outlook on life, knowledge, and companionship. His smile and laugh was contagious. Daniel has left an impression on so many lives during his 35 year journey here on Earth, and his memory will live on forever in the lives he encountered. Daniel was most proud to be a father to 3 beautiful children, whom he loved with all his heart.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, William "Walt" and Cora Mae (Ford) Grindstaff; his paternal grandfather, Franklin Delinore Messer, great-grandparents, John and Rachel "Bea" Messer, Della Hall, Dr. Benjamin P. and Maggie Ford; an uncle, Earl Grindstaff; an aunt Evelyn Grindstaff; and a very special cousin John David Messer.

He is survived by his 3 children Flora, Daniel Jr., and Wildahila Messer; his

parents, Johnny and Jewel Messer of Hartford, Karen (Grindstaff) and Robert Edmonds of Cosby; one sister, Ashley (Messer) and Jonathan Ferguson of Clyde, NC; two nieces, Macey and Miley Ferguson; his paternal grandmother, Flora Messer of Newport; aunts and uncles, Loretta and Mickey Valentine of Newport, Chuck and Barbara Quintard of Flowery Branch, GA., Johnny Grindstaff of Newport, and Otta Grindstaff of Newport; numerous cousins and great uncles and aunts; a special cousin, Joe "Nooge" Messer; and his extended family, all his brothers TNJCAP.

Pallbearers: Joe Messer, Bryant Spurgeon, Dustin Bentley, Joseph Barrett, Jesse Cavett, Adam Finchum, Donte Decoteau, John Bowman, Ryan Wolbert. Officiating the service will be Pastor Jon Walton.

Visitation 5:00-7:00 p.m., Friday, January 24, 2025 at Manes Funeral Home, Service following visitation.

Burial will be at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 25, 2025 at The Messer Family Cemetery.

The family express great gratitude to Faith, Hope, and Love Family church, TNJCAP, and the CCSO.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be directly made to Manes Funeral Home to cover funeral expenses.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at [www.manesfuneralhome.com](http://www.manesfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **24.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Chapel  
363 East Main Street  
Newport, TN 37821

## Funeral service

JAN **24.** 7:00 PM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Inc.  
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<https://www.manesfuneralhome.com/index.cfm>

## Burial

JAN **25.** 2:00 PM.

Messer Family Cemetery

# Tribute Wall



“ *Manes Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Daniel Wayne Messer*



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**Manes Funeral Home, Inc.** - January 23, 2025 at 02:32 PM

PM

*Beautiful memorial tribute. Sending prayers and peace to Daniel's loving family.*

*Alan and Patty Mangum*

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**Patty Mangum** - January 24, 2025 at 12:20 AM

BM

*Beautiful memories so sorry for y'all's loss sending prayers to the family Karen I want to let you know I love you very much and sending prayers to you sweetheart God bless this family I know he was a sweet loving son because he has a very sweet loving mother I wish this would have never happened to him or to this beautiful family and them beautiful children God bless them too*

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**Belinda Moore** - January 24, 2025 at 04:46 PM

VN

“ *Sending love and hugs and prayers 🙏 and Blessings 😊😊*

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**Vick Naillon** - January 30, 2025 at 08:07 AM

VN

“ Sending love and hugs and prayers 🙏 and Blessings 😊😊

Vick Naillon - January 30, 2025 at 08:00 AM

AB

“ Ashley Bias lit a candle in memory of Daniel Messer



Ashley Bias - January 25, 2025 at 01:44 PM

MP

“ Sorry for your loss. Sending prayers for all.

Mark Potts - January 25, 2025 at 07:42 AM

KG

“ So sorry for your loss! Praying that each of you will feel God's comfort and peace during this difficult time of sorrow and for the days ahead. Love&Prayers Kay and Jeff Gates

Kay Gates - January 24, 2025 at 10:21 PM

CH

“ I have a heavy heart today. I am so glad the last time we seen each other you gave me a big hug. I will miss you my friend.

Chris - January 24, 2025 at 09:35 PM

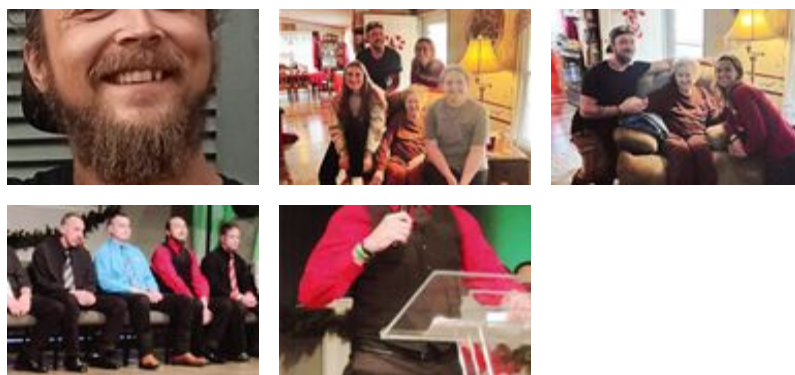
JD

“ So very sorry for your loss. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Janie Davis - January 24, 2025 at 08:43 AM



“ 89 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - January 23, 2025 at 02:20 PM

GH

“ We are so sorry for your loss keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers

Gail Holder - January 23, 2025 at 01:30 PM

JC

“ JCAP purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Daniel Wayne Messer.



JCAP - January 23, 2025 at 12:01 PM

JC

“ JCAP planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel Wayne Messer.

JCAP - January 23, 2025 at 12:01 PM

YF

“ *Your Ripley's Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Daniel Wayne Messer.*



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**Your Ripley's Family** - January 23, 2025 at 11:08 AM

JH

“ *I loved Daniel since was a little boy was always such a sweet person. And I know I will see him again in heaven one day. Praying for the family. Love you all  
Jerry and Debbie hall*



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**Jerry and Debbie hall** - January 23, 2025 at 11:03 AM

KB

“ *So Sorry For Your Loss*



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**Karen Black** - January 23, 2025 at 11:01 AM

JH

“ *Daniel was my cousin. And I heard of his beautiful testimony and I know he is now with our lord and savior. I pray for all the family may god wrap his loving arms around all of you and give you comfort. God bless we love you all.*



*Jessica Hall*

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**Jessica Hall** - January 23, 2025 at 10:53 AM

AO

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Fly high my friend.



audrey owenby - January 23, 2025 at 09:03 AM

DG

“ Sending my Deepest Condolences to All of the family and friends 🙏❤️



Debra Gann - January 23, 2025 at 08:48 AM

TG

“ Sorry for your loss - your family is in my thoughts and prayers!

Tammy Grooms - January 23, 2025 at 08:40 AM

MS

“ I met Daniel at Faith, Hope and Love church. He was always so friendly and smiling. RIP

Malinda Stoneking - January 23, 2025 at 07:58 AM

DC

“ Dellwood Baptist Church planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel Wayne Messer.

Dellwood Baptist Church - January 23, 2025 at 06:10 AM

DC

“ *Dellwood Baptist Church purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Daniel Wayne Messer.*



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**Dellwood Baptist Church** - January 23, 2025 at 06:10 AM

BW

“ *Buffy Wilds lit a candle in memory of Daniel Messer*



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**Buffy Wilds** - January 22, 2025 at 10:48 PM

BC

“ *Bobby and Gail Clevenger lit a candle in memory of Daniel Messer*



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**Bobby and Gail Clevenger** - January 22, 2025 at 09:06 PM

AB

“ *Ashley Bias lit a candle in memory of Daniel Messer*



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**Ashley Bias** - January 22, 2025 at 07:30 PM

JM

“ *RIP My brother!*

*~Josh McKnight & family*



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**Jessica Messer-McKnight** - January 22, 2025 at 05:55 PM

JM

“ *Daniel is literally who saved my life and stayed by my side when John passed away 1/23/19. This is a blow to the gut hearing this! Those babies will never comprehend the love their daddy had for them! Another great loss for the Messer family! Lord please bring the family strength and comfort in this time!*

*~Jessica Messer-McKnight*



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**Jessica Messer-McKnight** - January 22, 2025 at 05:53 PM

DE

“ *Doris Ann and Chris Early purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Daniel Wayne Messer.*



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**Doris Ann and Chris Early** - January 22, 2025 at 04:58 PM