



Daniel Allen Koechel

November 16, 1939 - May 31, 2021

Daniel A. Koechel, 81, passed away peacefully on May 31, 2021 at Hospice of NW Ohio. Dan was born on November 16, 1939 in Waseca, Minnesota to Clark M. and Hazel "Pat" (Paffrath) Koechel. He graduated from Waseca Central High School in 1957, and earned a B.S. in Pharmacy in 1962 and a Ph.D. in Medicinal Chemistry and Biochemistry at the University of Minnesota in 1969. He married his high school sweetheart, Judy Hackett, on December 16, 1961.

Daniel joined the Medical College of Ohio in 1969 in the department of Pharmacology. His research focused on renal pharmacology and toxicology and was supported by NIH and American Heart Association grants. He truly loved teaching pharmacology to medical and nursing students. He was honored to receive the Robert T. Tidrick Golden Apple award 31 consecutive years by the medical students at MCO for outstanding teaching, from 1976-2007. He authored the diuretics chapter of Wilson and Gisvold's Textbook of Organic Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry. Upon retirement, his goals were to study the Bible and share his faith, and enjoy his hobbies, his family and time with his 7 grandchildren.

Dan is survived by his loving wife Judy, son Grant (Chrisanne), and daughter Molly (Jim) Stevenson; grandchildren Thaddeus, Emily, Myles and Jackson Koechel, and Paige, Natalie and Lily Stevenson; son-in-law David Lovett. His brother Clark J. (Inez) Koechel, his nephews Mark and Matt, and niece Jenny also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter Darcy

Anne Lovett, and nephew John Koechel.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Church of the Cross, 1750 Eastgate Rd., Toledo, OH 43614, on Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 2:30 p.m., where the family will begin receiving guests at 1:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions may be given to the Professor Daniel A. Koechel Scholarship Fund at the University of Toledo Medical College, Church of the Cross, Hospice of Northwest Ohio or donor's choice. Please leave a condolence message and view Dan's tribute video at CoyleFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **26**. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Church of Cross United Methodist
1750 Eastgate Rd
Toledo, OH 43614

Memorial Service

JUN **26**. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JM

“ I realize that it has been many months since Dr. Koechel died but I wanted to say again how much he meant to his students. I learned from back in 1975-1976 when I was just starting medical school. He was a captivating teacher and his classes were always something to look forward to. He was kind, patient and brilliant. My condolences.
John McGreevey

John McGreevey - January 10, 2022 at 07:41 PM

SB

“ My most sincere sympathies to Dr. Koechel's family on your loss - Dr. Koechel was a frequent visitor to the MCO/MUO Booktore whether to check on books for his students or for something to snack on or drink. I recall him as a delightful faculty member, very kind and thoughtful.

Sue Jankowski - Delray Beach,FL - June 27, 2021 at 07:55 PM

JK

“ Dan be was a wonderful high school friend and great man.

John King - June 27, 2021 at 07:15 PM

BS

“ Dear Judy and Family,
It was a blessing and a privilege to know Dan. He was truly a man of God. i enjoyed the knowledge he shared at Bible Study. His preparedness challenged us to study more and dig deeper. He always had a ready smile and was eager to talk and share. We are so sorry for your loss. He will truly be missed.

Beth Ann Snyder - June 26, 2021 at 11:25 AM

DN

“ *Dan was a truly dedicated Christian who took his Bible and his church very seriously, A very likable gentleman who I enjoyed talking to at our church. My most sincere sympathy to his wife Judy and their family. He will be missed very much. Don Nicholson*

Don Nicholson - June 24, 2021 at 09:20 PM

CV

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COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - June 22, 2021 at 12:48 PM

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COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - June 22, 2021 at 10:29 AM

PD

“ Dear Judy and Family,

Please know how sorry I am for your loss of Dan. He was so special to John and me, as are You and Your Family. Although we have not seen each other very often these past years, our recent accidental meetings at the grocery store were for a reason. God was looking out for both of us. He is truly a Loving God.

The day of Dan's Celebration of Life will be a very beautiful and special memory. I will not be able to attend the Service, however, as one of my Step Daughters will be arriving for a visit. Please know that Dan, You and Your Family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

God Bless You and Yours, Pat Donahue-Hageman

Patricia Donahue-Hageman - June 19, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ As someone who had the privilege to have served from July 2016 to June 2020 as the Pastor at Zion UMC, Toledo, OH where Prof. Dan Koechel was a highly esteemed member, I received the news of his passing with sadness but with thanksgiving to God. Prof. was a great teacher of the Bible and it was a joy to know him and his beloved wife, Ms. Judy. I will always cherish our many conversations about the Bible and the joy of knowing Jesus. He will be greatly missed but his legacy leaves on in all those whose lives he touched. Rev. 'Debo Onabanjo

Debo Onabanjo - June 11, 2021 at 09:14 AM

JK

“ I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Dan. He was one of the people we met in our first few years in Toledo. He had an amazing sense of humor. He could find the joy in life in almost any situation. We have always admired Dan and Judy who taught us so much about parenting and patience. He is a loss to everyone who ever knew him. Thinking of all of you and I am so sorry. Joan King

Joan King - June 10, 2021 at 09:28 PM