



## Daniel Jacob Kobes

September 16, 1976 - November 19, 2009

Daniel Kobes, age 33, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away Thursday afternoon, November 19, 2009 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Dan was born on September 16, 1976 in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, the son of Kenneth and Debra (Lawrence) Kobes. He graduated from Sault High School with the class of 1995. He attended Kalamazoo Community College and Lake Superior State University. He worked for Soo Supervalu since 2003. While in college, he enjoyed being a radio D.J. For WLSO. He also enjoyed spending time on the computer and watching the Detroit Tigers. Dan collected just about anything, from books, movies, and cd's to Star Wars Trading Cards. He was a member of the Sault Wesleyan Church where he was on the local board of administration. He also taught Sunday School, led a small group, and was very active with Guatemala Missions. Dan loved spending time with his nephews and the rest of his family. Dan is survived by his mother: Deb Kobes of Sault Ste. Marie, MI; a brother: Justin (Kelly) Kobes of Wyoming, MI; a sister: Amy (Simon) Dunn of Fort Wayne, IN; two nephews: Isaac and Mason Kobes of Wyoming, MI; and a girlfriend: Katie Hammar of Toledo, OH. He is also survived by two grandfathers: Ken (Karen) Kobes, Sr. of Battle Creek, MI and Don (Sharon) Lawrence of Sault Ste. Marie, MI. He was preceded in death by his father: Ken Kobes, Jr.; and two grandmothers: Phyllis Kobes and Phyllis Lawrence. Visitation will be held from 4:00 until 8:00 PM on Monday, November 23, 2009 at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on

Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at the funeral home with Pastor Chad McDonald officiating. Interment will be at Pine Grove Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to the Sault Wesleyan Church - Building Fund.

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ I am so sorry for you loss Deb. Dan was one of the good ones out there. God must have decided that He needed him more then the rest of us do. I will be praying for you to have strength in this time of need. Remember to take care of yourself.

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**Debbie Coad** - January 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ It was my fortune to work with Dan at Wendy's and spend time with him playing D&D and poker, going to Laker games, camping, and just hanging out. Dan was a great, kind person who made being a nice guy cool. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Jason Keahnke** - December 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Dan was a great guy and I thought of him often from my years at Wesleyan Church. Always kind and thoughtful! My heart goes out to you Deb, Amy, and Justin! He will be remembered!

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**Amber (Gregg) Clement** - November 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *Deb, Justin, and Amy~  
I am so sorry to hear about Dan's passing. I remember the great times we all had together, especially on the trips we took in our band class in high school. He was always a happy go lucky and friendly individual and not once do I remember seeing anything less than a smile on his face or kinds words from his mouth. My deepest sympathy and condolences go out to you all. We will miss him greatly but at least he is in a place where he can watch down on all. He will always be remembered for all of the wonderful things he contributed to life. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers,  
Cindy*

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**Cindy (Matheny) Fowler** - November 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Deb, Justin and Amy. I was so saddened to hear about Daniel. I remember growing up with Dave and Mom and when Daves nephews or neice would come over he would be so proud! I especially liked it when Daniel would come running up to Dave and myself with a big red kool-aid mustache and give Dave a hug and introduce me as Uncle Mike. I loved Daniel just like he was my own nephew and I am proud to be a part of your family. I am sorry I was not able to make it up to the Soo to show my support for you and your family. If you need anything from me please let me know. God bless you and your family. You are in our prayers.*

*Michael, Wendy, Elishia, Daniel and Madylin Price*

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**The Price Family** - November 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

E.

“ I just want to thank Dan's family and close loved ones for sharing him with us back in KZOO.

*Thank you also for the great service. It was so honoring to Dan and the Lord.*

*In Christ,  
E.J.*

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**E.J.** - November 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ I have many fond memories of Dan over the years. I am very sad that he is gone but I do celebrate him walking with God, and Ken. Everyday since last Friday morning, I have been able to think of something about him that makes me laugh. I never got to try my mascara on those long eyelashes. :) I have great memories of being in Guatemala with him and 40 others from our church (one being attack of the ants). I don't remember our first birthday party except through pictures, but the fact we are so close in age is very special to me. I will miss our long talks in SuperValu as he did his job in the evenings. Thank you, Dan, for being such a great friend to Ralph, Christian, and I. You are so loved! Thank you, Deb for the amazing man you helped him become. My thoughts and prayers are with you always. I have always admired the Kobes family because of your service to the Lord and commitment to your family and friends. Katie, I have been inspired by your relationship with Dan. Thank you for being his BFF to the end. Love you all!

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**Syddora Ray** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Debbie and family. This is so very sad to us. Please find peace in the arms of our Lord.

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**Lee and Candace** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Deb,  
We are praying for you. We pray that God will wrap His arms  
around you and your family. Dan was a good friend and I will miss  
him very much. We wish we could make it to the funeral but we will  
not be able to. We love you and miss you.  
Drew & Stacy*

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**Drew & Stacy Bush** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Dear Deb & Amy,  
  
I just found out that the service is today, and I wish that I could be  
there.  
  
I am so sorry for your loss; please accept my sincerest  
condolences.  
  
Love,  
Sarah Carswell (Cole)*

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**Sarah Carswell** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dear Deb, Justin, Amy and family,

*Our hearts and prayers go out to you.  
Dan was such an awesome Godly man and made such an awesome example of what a christian really is. I can just hear those words we all long to hear some day when we meet JESUS face to face , "Well done my good and faithful servant"! It was a blessing to have known Dan, he will be forever in our hearts. You are a very precious family, and may God comfort you and be close to you.  
Love,  
John, Karen and family*

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**John Goetz family** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Our condolences and prayers to the Kobes family.*

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**Steve & Judy Coffelt** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ *Deb and family, I was very saddened to hear today about Daniel. My heart goes out to you. Several of Bud's family informed me when they read Monday's paper, as they remembered you and I being friends. I guess I always spoke so highly of you they remembered your name. There are no words that can express my heartfelt sympathy for you. You have always been a dear friend. May God bless all of you and keep you in his care. With Love and Sympathy, Linda McKerchie and family.*

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**Linda Mckerchie** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Deb, Justin, Amy and Family --*

*What can we say about a man we only knew as a sunny, guileless boy? By all accounts, he was highly regarded, and a great man like his father before him. May the Lord lift up His countenance on you all at this time of great loss. Know you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Curt and Nancy Rife** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *Dear Debbie,*

*Our hearts break for you and your family and what you are going through. In our human thinking it is so wrong for our children to die before us and impossible to understand why. God holds the map of our lives. He knew us before we were born. He knows the way our lives will finally end. He is not the author of sickness, illness, or disease, He is the Great Physician, our Almighty Healer. The enemy comes to steal, kill, and destroy. Daniel has been completely and totally restored to perfect health in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Our son, Alan, died 16 months ago of a bacterial invasion to his body so we truly know what you have been through standing at Daniel's bedside praying and interceding for him and finally watching as the Lord completely healed and restored Daniel into His Kingdom. We look and long for that day when we will be reunited with our loved ones in Heaven. We hold you in deepest prayer. We are here for you.*

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**Chris & Lynn Gillies** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *Our hearts are with you as we remember and celebrate Dan.*

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**Jeff and Sarah Norris** - November 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ You are in our thoughts & prayers.

*With Chritian LOVE  
HOWARD & NANCY BOEVE*

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**HOWARD & NANCY BOEVE** - November 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Miss everything you were to us and how God used you and crafted you. Even though it hurts, we can't wait to see you in eternity.

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**EJ & Lisa Bast** - November 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Dear Deb and family,

*Our prayers are with you. We pray God gives you the strength, spiritually and physically to do His will. Daniel was such a fine Christian man. His spirit was always genuine and warm. We will continue to lift you up to the Lord. We rejoice in him because of his eternal reward. That is our hope. Blessings & Love, Bill and Betsy Cox and crew*

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**Betsy Cox** - November 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Dear Deb and family-

*You are in our thoughts and prayers. Both my sister and I each imagined our mom Lois welcoming Dan upon his arrival in heaven. She often spoke with affection of your family.*

*Loss is so hard and so hard to understand. We are lifting you up and wishing for your comfort and peace.*

*Love,*

*Lori (Jasperse) Redmer*

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**Lori (Jasperse) Redmer** - November 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dan was a wonderful person, who in spite of physical setbacks, always had a smile on his face, a love for the Lord, and a positive attitude. He will be missed.

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**Jim & Sandy Hoffman** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ May the Holy Spirit comfort the family and friends of Dan Kobes during this difficult time. Although we do not know why Dan was taken so soon, we do "know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28 KJV.

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**Jennifer Searfoss** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *My heart fely sympathy to Dans family and friends. I had just met Dan as a co-worker at Super Valu. He seemed like a wonderful person.*

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**Tracey Fournier** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ *I a very sorry for your loss. I never got to meet Dan but I have gotten to know his girlfriend, Katie Hammar. I have gotten to know that Katie is an amazing person and that anyone she would date has to be pretty special. I have been and will continue to pray for everyone who Dan has touched though out his life and his family. God be with everyone of you.*

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**Hunter Morrison** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *I had the honor of spending some time with Dan in Guatemala last year and this year while he was serving with missions teams from his church. He was a hard worker and seemed to really enjoy a great relationship with his brothers and sisters in Christ. Those of us from Impacto will remember him fondly and will be praying for all of you as you grieve. It is hard to understand why things like this happen but we trust in God and know that He has a plan. We are sad to know that we will not see Dan's smile again on this earth but we rejoyce in knowing that we will see him again one day when we join him in heaven. May God be with you and grant you His peace and strength to endure. Keeping you lifted in prayer, Luis Martinez and the Impacto Staff*

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**Sarah Poythress** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ I am sorry for your loss. I was a classmate of Dan's he was always happy and smiling. but he is now in a better place and watching over each and every one of us til we are reunited with him again in heaven.  
may God bless your family always

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**kristina Andrews** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Kobes family in their time of loss. Dan was a beautiful man who could make anyone feel instantly better about themselves just by being in his presence. He was funny, compassionate and true man of his word and a man of God. Gone too soon my friend but at peace and never forgotten. We will miss you and look forward to the day we can be reunited.

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**Scott and Tina Nason** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ We will miss you, Dan. You were one of our closest friends. Thank you for sharing your life with us and thank you for living as a great example and as a man who wanted to serve his God.

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**Samantha McDonald** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Our deepest sympathy to all of the Kobes family. We are holding you up in prayer during this most difficult time.

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**Bill & Nancy Cline** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Our hearts are full of sadness for the loss of Dan, but also full of joy knowing he has made the final run. He dines now with his father again and his heavenly Father who made his life here on earth extraordinary. The angels have welcomed him with songs of joy and he walks and talks with his brother Jesus. Who could ask for more? God bless the Kobes family.

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**Judy Wilke** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

IM

“ When I remember Dan I think of his worn-out Detroit Tigers hat. I think of his wry smile and the sharp wit it betrayed. I think of his incredible book, movie and music recommendations. I think of Guinness beer, great discussion and a good cigar. I think of me, passionately ranting about some issue or idea, and Dan calmly listening then offering some piece of wisdom that put everything back in perspective. I think of Tigers games, poker nights, movie and discussion nights, short story writing and reading nights, debate nights, bonfires, Bible studies.

*Dan was a renaissance man. A true Yooper Gentleman. A man of God. A thinking man. A truth-seeking man. A true friend.*

*It's not hard for me to picture Dan now, in the place he always sought and longed for; in the presence of eternal Truth and Beauty. It is hard, however, to picture the rest of my terrestrial life without him and all the richness he brought.*

*Thank you for your wonderful life and friendship Dan. You are loved and missed.*

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**Isaac and Heather Morehouse** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Dearest Kobes Family,  
We wish that we could be there to hold your hand or give you a hug.  
Words cannot express our hearts at this time but we KNOW that our  
Great God and Savior understands losing a son.....we know that  
His Hands hold you all at this time. We love you and care about  
you....*

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**The Dougan Family** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM