



## Dan Sheppard Justice

October 29, 1946 - August 15, 2013

Dan Sheppard Justice, 66, of Tupelo, MS and formerly of Altavista and Forest died Thursday, August 15, 2013 at Holston Valley Medical Center in Kingsport, TN. He was the husband of Brenda Hughes Justice for 47 years.

He was born October 29, 1946 in Morganton, NC, a son of the late John H. Justice, Jr. and Lucille Sheppard Justice. He retired from The Lane Company in 2008 after forty-two years of service. Dan enjoyed participating in all forms of athletics but had a passion and skill for golf. He especially cherished the friendships he formed over the years while a member of Altavista, Boonsboro and Tupelo Country Clubs.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Jay Justice and his wife Andrea of Altavista, and Leighton Justice and his wife Laura of Waynesboro; two brothers, John Charles Justice and his wife Lupita of Guadalajara, Mexico and Charles David Justice of Powhatan; three grandchildren, Andrew Justice, Julia Webster, and Ryan Webster.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, August 24, 2013 at Finch and Finch Chapel. In honor of Dan's love for golf and the friendships he formed while playing over the years, the family requests that Dan's golfing buddies wear a white golf shirt and khaki pants to the memorial service.

The family will receive friends at the home of his son Jay at 1206 Woodland Ave., Altavista.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider a charity of their choice.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Finch and Finch Chapel  
809 Main St.  
Altavista, VA 24517

# Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service** - August 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Dear Brenda,*

*Please accept our deepest condolences on the sudden loss of Dan. Our prayers go out to you and your family on this sudden tragedy. I know you all had many years together and that in some way is a blessing of memories never to be forgotten.*

*John and Kathy Lane*

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**John Lane** - September 03, 2013 at 05:06 PM

TB

“ *Jay--so sorry to hear about the loss of your Dad. I worked with him for years at The Lane Company and he was always very kind to everyone. The loss of a parent is always hard, but give your pain to GOD and he will carry you through this time.*



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**Terri Bryant** - August 31, 2013 at 11:22 AM

JC

“ Leighton -- So sorry to hear about your dad! Praying for you and your family during this time.  
*Julia Terry Chase*

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**Julia Terry Chase** - August 24, 2013 at 03:17 PM

NH

“ *Brenda:*  
*I was shocked and saddened to read about Dan's death. May the love of family and friends comfort and strengthen you in the difficult days ahead.*  
*Nancy Price Halloran*

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**Nancy Price Halloran** - August 23, 2013 at 11:17 PM

RB

“ *Brenda and family. So sorry to hear of Dans passing. Our prayers go out to you all. You and Dan were such a big part of our wonderful memories of Altavista. I know he will be sorely missed. He was a great guy. Russ & Bonnie Belinski*

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**Russ & Bonnie Belinski** - August 23, 2013 at 10:31 PM

CM

“ *Cynthia Marsh lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Cynthia Marsh** - August 23, 2013 at 10:31 PM

CM

*Brenda, I'm so truly sorry, for the tragedy facing you now, but so happy to know that you and Dan celebrated 46 years of marriage. "what a blessing" I have a great memories of seeing you and Dan walking the halls at Altavista High, and then years later, I would see you all walking down the street from the log cabin you were presently living in. I didn't graduate with you, Brenda, but i do remember you being such a clean, neat, quiet person. " I'm sure you had to get quite loud as a cheerleader." Memories of the both of you, will always remain, in my mind and heart. I hope each day, you wake up you will begin, to heal from Dan's death, which I am sure will be, a long road. Cynthia Barbee Marsh (Grandson) Joel Damion Harmon*

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**Cynthia Marsh** - August 23, 2013 at 10:51 PM

JM

“ *Jo Ann Martin lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Jo Ann Martin** - August 23, 2013 at 11:45 AM

JB

“ *Brenda and Family. I am so sorry to hear of your tragic loss. Although we have not been in touch I have so many fond memories of our good times together. Dan was always a strong supporter in our running days. You and the family are in my thoughts and prayers. Jean Collie Burks*



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**Jean Collie Burks** - August 23, 2013 at 11:00 AM



“ *Robert Finch sent a virtual gift in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Robert Finch** - August 23, 2013 at 10:13 AM



“ *Brenda and family , words cannot express my feelings for you at this tragic time. Dan was a great classmate, teammate, roommate, and friend. May The Lord console you and direct you as you move ahead with your lives.*

*James and Janet West*

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**James West** - August 23, 2013 at 08:34 AM



“ *Brenda and Dan's family,*

*I am so very sorry for your loss. I have so many fond memories of our elementary and high school years in Altavista. While we have gone in different directions over the years, those young memories are ever present. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this most difficult time.*



*Brenda Campbell Carper*

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**Brenda Carper** - August 22, 2013 at 09:53 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dan Sheppard Justice.*



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August 22, 2013 at 09:49 PM



“ *Brenda, Jay, Leighton and family...I am sorry to hear about your tragic loss. I have many memories of playing with Dan and competing against each other. He was fierce competitor on the golf course and he always brought out the best in me. I remember one year when I was 16 or so I caddied for Dan in the Invitational which he went on to win. He shot 66-70 and still holds the tournament record. He was quite the player. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

*Mark Boley*

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**Mark Boley** - August 22, 2013 at 09:45 PM



“ *Brenda - We love you & are so sorry to hear about this tragedy. We are praying for you and your family. Please let me know if there's anything we can do back here at your house or handle any business. God bless you and your family. Bill & Susan Hayden, Tupelo MS*

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**Susan Hayden** - August 22, 2013 at 08:31 PM

JW

“ *James West lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**James West** - August 22, 2013 at 07:51 PM

CM

“ *Brenda and family. Know you will always cherish the wonderful memories. We are so sorry for all of you. You are in our prayers. Carolyn(Eckel) and Rob McEachern*

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**Carolyn and Rob McEachern** - August 22, 2013 at 03:56 PM

GW

“ *Jay.....we are so very sorry to here of the tragic loss you and your family have suffered. From reading many of the messages left on this board, he certainly seemed like a very special man and father. Things like this just aren't supposed to happen, but unfortunately they sometimes do. In a way serves as a reminder to all of us to stay close to the ones we love. We hope your mom is progressing and healing as well as possible. I'm sure your family will provide her with all the love and attention necessary.*

*Gerry W, Jon Evans, and the rest of your friends at Fiduk's.*

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**Gerry Wybranski** - August 22, 2013 at 08:25 AM

MC

“ So sorry to hear of the tragic passing of our classmate Dan. May the Lord wrap his loving arms of comfort around his family, lift you up at your greatest points of need, and give you peace in the days ahead.

*Marie Ewing Campbell*


Marie Ewing Campbell - August 21, 2013 at 04:14 PM



SH

“ Brenda and family, My heart is broken for your tragic loss. Dan was my best friend as a child and teenager. I treasure my memories of little league baseball, high school sports and just growing up together. His devotion to family was inspiring to me. God bless him and you all

Stephen Hubbard - August 21, 2013 at 03:00 PM

 Donna  
Phillips  
Rader

“ Our hearts and prayers go out to you....



Donna Phillips Rader - August 21, 2013 at 09:58 AM

DM

“ Dennis & Shirley Miller lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



Dennis & Shirley Miller - August 20, 2013 at 06:59 PM

MI

“ It's probable that Dan is at the podium in Heaven and that Mike Atkinson and many others are listening from the front row as Dan tells golf and life stories. Those of us who knew Dan will miss him and his ingenious personality. May God bless Brenda and family and know that one day everyone will be reunited.

*Johnna and Mike*

Mike - August 20, 2013 at 01:29 PM

SH

“ Sherry lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



Sherry - August 20, 2013 at 01:15 PM

JM

“ Brenda, I was heartbroken to hear about the accident and your husband's passing. You and your sons will continue to be in my prayers.



Julie McCaulley - August 20, 2013 at 11:15 AM

CS

“ Brenda,  
Our hearts and prayers go out to you and the family. Dan was a great guy and we've all lost a good friend.  
*Chip and Sherry Smith*



Chip and Sherry Smith - August 20, 2013 at 10:22 AM

CL

“ Brenda, Jay, Leighton, and family, When mom told me about the accident I couldn't believe it. ... I remember having dinner with your family at log cabin house ... when grandmother was in from Florida. I can hear Dan say something funny and chuckle. That was a fun memory. ... You guys are in my prayers.

Chris Lukin - August 20, 2013 at 08:23 AM

WF

“ My condolences to the Justice family. May loving memories fill your heart with comfort and joy. Be assured of God's love (1 Peter 5:7).

Williams family - August 20, 2013 at 08:17 AM

ES

“ Etta Skinnell lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



Etta Skinnell - August 19, 2013 at 09:13 PM

AS

“ Brenda - Connie and I grieve your loss. We have only fond memories of the meals we shared with you and Dan. We continue to keep you in our prayers.  
Al and Connie Ann Servati

Al Servati - August 19, 2013 at 05:08 PM

EF

“ We are so very sorry for the horrible turn of events that took Dan's life. Please know you and your family are in our prayers. We lit a candle in his memory. Ed & Jeanette



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**Ed & Jeanette Fandel** - August 19, 2013 at 12:50 PM

BC

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Buck Cox and family

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**Buck Cox** - August 19, 2013 at 05:13 AM

JB

“ Janice Brown lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Janice Brown** - August 18, 2013 at 09:53 PM

PD

“ Pete & Sandra Dalton lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Pete & Sandra Dalton** - August 18, 2013 at 05:48 PM

PE

*Our thoughts and prayers are with Brenda and the family. God be with you in this time of need*

**Pete** - August 18, 2013 at 05:55 PM

BG

“ *Bill And Betty Gillespie lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



**Bill and Betty Gillespie** - August 18, 2013 at 05:46 PM

BG

*Brenda and family - so very sorry to hear of Dan's passing. We've lost a special classmate and friend. God bless you.*

**Betty Gillespie** - August 18, 2013 at 05:50 PM

EC

“ *Ellyn Cox lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



**Ellyn Cox** - August 18, 2013 at 03:47 PM

GC

“ *George & Sue Cox lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



**George & Sue Cox** - August 18, 2013 at 03:46 PM

RC

“ Dan and I played alot of tennis together, we had some wins and some losses, but we had fun and enjoyed the fellowship. Dan spoke often of his sons, and shared the pride he had in both of them. He and Brenda were a great couple and his absence will leave a great void in everyones life, that knew him. Our thoughts and prayers are with Brenda and the entire family during his celebration of life. God Bless.

*Rick and Gabrielle Cooper*

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**Rick Cooper** - August 18, 2013 at 03:32 PM

DW

“ Dave Weigand, Forest, Virginia



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**Dave Weigand** - August 18, 2013 at 02:11 PM

EB

“ Eddie Barnard lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Eddie Barnard** - August 18, 2013 at 01:43 PM

TB

“ He and his wonderful brothers Johnny, Choo Choo were like big brothers to me growing up... my heartfelt sympathy and prayers to all the family. Great memories, I will let my Mom know of this sadness. Sending a big hug to all.



*Tobie Church Bentz*

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**Tobie Church Bentz** - August 18, 2013 at 01:28 PM

DE

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

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**Dawn Emmett-Smith** - August 18, 2013 at 12:21 PM

DP

“ Dale Perrow lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Dale Perrow** - August 18, 2013 at 11:22 AM

AN

“ Dan was a great husband, father, golfer and a wonderful friend. We have many fond memories of being with the two of them. May he rest in peace.

*Anna and Scott*

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**annatyler** - August 18, 2013 at 10:07 AM

BN

“ *Bill and Joanie Newman*



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**Bill and Joanie Newman** - August 18, 2013 at 09:50 AM

SF

“ *Stan & Sandra Finch lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Stan & Sandra Finch** - August 18, 2013 at 08:13 AM

CC

“ *Carolyn Y. Coleman lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Carolyn Y. Coleman** - August 18, 2013 at 08:04 AM

DW

“ *Donnie & Shelby Wallace lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Donnie & Shelby Wallace** - August 18, 2013 at 05:46 AM

BW

“ Bobby And Judy Walker lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Bobby and Judy Walker** - August 17, 2013 at 06:51 PM

SW

“ Brenda and family,  
I am so sorry to learn of Dan's death. He was a special guy. It's so sad to see the passing of a classmate. Its like losing part of your adolescence and we had great times growing up in Altavista. AHS was a special place and will always be in the hearts of us who attended there. I know times have changed, We're all in different places but we will always be connected to that one place we all grew up in.  
My prayer for you and your family is peace and comfort in this difficult time.

*Susan Oakes West*

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**Susan Oakes West** - August 17, 2013 at 05:56 PM

LH

“ So sorry to learn of Dan's passing. My heart and prayers are with you Brenda and your children. It is so painful to lose a spouse or a parent. May you be surrounded by the love of your friends and the love of God as you walk through this grief.  
In Christ's love,  
Lee Carpenter (Harizanoff)

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**Lee Carpenter Harizanoff** - August 17, 2013 at 05:03 PM

PG

“ *Paul & Barbara Gibson lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Paul & Barbara Gibson** - August 17, 2013 at 04:24 PM

JP

“ *Jane Newman Poston lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Jane Newman Poston** - August 17, 2013 at 04:21 PM

CS

“ *Carylon Holley Sheals lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Carylon Holley Sheals** - August 17, 2013 at 01:20 PM

GC

“ *Gil & Becky Cothran lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Gil & Becky Cothran** - August 17, 2013 at 11:14 AM

RE

“ *Rita And Ralph English lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Rita and Ralph English** - August 17, 2013 at 11:10 AM

LH

“ *Libby P Hedrick lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Libby P Hedrick** - August 17, 2013 at 11:01 AM

AP

“ *Dear Brenda,*

*There are no words to take away the loss. My prayer is your hearts will heal with time and golden memories of Dan's dazzling smile. Deepest sympathy to you and your family.*

*Ann Price*



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**ann price** - August 17, 2013 at 10:02 AM

GG

“ Gwen Goggin lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Gwen Goggin** - August 17, 2013 at 09:29 AM

GR

“ Geneieve Rowland lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Geneieve Rowland** - August 17, 2013 at 08:58 AM

RW

*I had lost touch with Dan over the years, but I have only very fond memories of him. A truly great person that will be missed greatly by his friends and family.*

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**Richard Winstead** - August 17, 2013 at 04:01 PM

PP

“ Pat Puckette lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



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**Pat Puckette** - August 17, 2013 at 08:27 AM

MH

“ *Marlo Henderson sent a virtual gift in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Marlo Henderson** - August 17, 2013 at 08:15 AM

MH

*Hugs and prayers to all!!!!*

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**Marlo Henderson** - August 17, 2013 at 08:15 AM

EE

“ *Eugene & Mary Edmonds lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Eugene & Mary Edmonds** - August 16, 2013 at 09:24 PM

DB

“ *Dorothy Brooks lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Dorothy Brooks** - August 16, 2013 at 07:36 PM

DB

*Brenda and family,,,I am so sorry....*

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**Dorothy Brooks** - August 16, 2013 at 07:38 PM

GW

“ GWENDA WILLARD lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



GWENDA WILLARD - August 16, 2013 at 07:16 PM

GW

“ Leighton, so sorry for the loss of your dad. Please let your mom and all of your family know I am thinking about them.



Greg Wolfe - August 16, 2013 at 06:20 PM

GW

“ Greg Wolfe sent a virtual gift in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



Greg Wolfe - August 16, 2013 at 06:16 PM

SD

“ Sallie Dalton lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice



Sallie Dalton - August 16, 2013 at 05:54 PM

NC

“ *Nancy Dalton Cole lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Nancy Dalton Cole** - August 16, 2013 at 05:41 PM

NC

*Nancy Dalton Cole*

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**Nancy Dalton Cole** - August 16, 2013 at 05:42 PM

JA

“ *Joy Adkins lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Joy Adkins** - August 16, 2013 at 05:21 PM

JB

“ *Jo Barnard lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Jo Barnard** - August 16, 2013 at 03:33 PM

MP

“ *Mary Pickrel lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Mary Pickrel** - August 16, 2013 at 03:32 PM

LM

“ *Lisa Shelton Moore lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Lisa Shelton Moore** - August 16, 2013 at 03:29 PM

DE

“ *I cannot tell you how sorry I was to learn of Dan's death. My Danny has been gone nine years. My girls always call on August 12, the day he died. Brenda and Leighton and Jay, be loving and strong for each other. Prayers for all of you. Dianne Emmett*

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**Dianne Emmett** - August 16, 2013 at 03:28 PM

JW

“ *So sorry to hear of Dan's passing!*

*Janice Reynolds Webber*



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**Janice Webber** - August 16, 2013 at 02:24 PM

LL

“ *Louella Lanier lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Louella Lanier** - August 16, 2013 at 02:01 PM

DL

“ *Doris Lukin lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Doris Lukin** - August 16, 2013 at 01:25 PM

DL

*Nothing but good memories come to mind when I think of Dan. I so appreciated his helpfulness to me over the years of working with him. He was a great co-worker and friend. My heart is heavy for your loss but I also feel the loss but will cherish the memories I have of him. He loved his family and never fail to let people know it. My sympathy goes out to each of you.*

*Doris Lukin*

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**Doris Lukin** - August 18, 2013 at 12:50 PM

TD

“ *Brenda, Jay, Leighton and Family:  
So very sorry to hear of this. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We always thought as Aunt Ruth's family you were ours too. We love you.*



*Teresa (Cox) David and Gwen (Cox) Coffey and families*

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**Teresa David** - August 16, 2013 at 01:11 PM

EJ

“ *Eddie And Suzanne Jones lit a candle in memory of Dan Sheppard Justice*



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**Eddie and Suzanne Jones** - August 16, 2013 at 12:46 PM

BH

*To the Justice Family:  
We were shocked to learn of Dan's passing. He was a great golfer and a great person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Bill and Linda Huffman*

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**Bill Huffman** - August 22, 2013 at 10:52 AM