



## Mr. Daniel "Danny" Lee Thompson

March 6, 2026

Daniel "Danny" Lee Thompson, age 68, of Millbrook, Alabama, passed away on Friday, March 6, 2026.

Danny was born in Montgomery, Alabama, on February 21, 1958, and spent the last 35 years of his life in the Prattville–Millbrook area, where he became a well-known and respected member of the community.

Danny began his career in emergency medicine in the early 1980s as a paramedic, serving with City Ambulance, Haynes Ambulance, Suburban Ambulance, and A&A. During his years as a paramedic, he assisted opening Haynes Ambulance operations in Troy and Selma, expanding access to emergency medical services in those communities. His strong love of medicine later led him into urgent care, where he worked as a medical and X-ray technician. Known for his strong communication skills and dedication to hands-on patient care, Danny became a trusted presence among both colleagues and patients. As his career progressed, Danny transitioned into industrial medicine, serving as a safety officer for International Paper and Georgia-Pacific, where he continued applying his medical expertise and commitment to protecting others. After retiring from the medical field, Danny took his lifelong interest in firearms, along with his skills and knowledge of gun repair, to move into the gun and pawn industry. He eventually opened his own shop in 2008 called High Caliber Gun and Pawn. He soon became widely known as the "gun guru" of the area. Local patrons, law enforcement officers, and members of the military respected his vast knowledge of firearms, his

honesty, and his willingness to help others. True to his nature, Danny never met a stranger and was always ready to share advice or lend a hand. In addition to his family, his other great loves in life were riding his motorcycle, studying military history (you'll find many historical items throughout his shop) and supporting charities including the Wounded Warrior Project and the Tunnel to Towers Foundation. Danny had a deep sense of patriotism and love for his country. His greatest regret was that a childhood accident prevented him from serving in the military. Danny took great joy in coaching football for the Elmore Eagles youth league with children ranging in age from 5 to 13. Although his title was Coach Thompson, the kids fondly referred to him as "Pop" since Danny and his wife, Lisa, opened their home and hearts to several youths that needed guidance, food, clothing or maybe just a safe place. Danny and Lisa enjoyed traveling as time allowed and were able to spend some time in Germany, England and France. Walking on the beaches of Normandy was especially meaningful to him due to the profound historical significance of the area. He and his family shared many memorable trips to Disney and Universal Studios. He could also occasionally be found sitting at a roulette table in Vegas or Biloxi. No memory of Danny would be complete without mentioning his enduring love of animals, animal rescue and The King - - Elvis Presley. In 1977, he was fortunate to attend one of Elvis's final concerts, held in Montgomery, Alabama. His musical tastes ranged from gospel to country to classic rock. All who knew Danny would say that the core of his being was his strong faith, his loyalty to friends, and his love of family. No words can truly describe how much Danny will be missed or how deeply he was loved. We take comfort in knowing he is watching over us from heaven, reflecting on life and, just as he loved to say, echoing one of his favorite Elvis songs, "I Did It My Way." Danny was preceded in death by his mother, Harriett Thompson. He is survived by his beloved wife, Lisa Thompson; his father, Bertram "Boe" Thompson of Montgomery, Alabama; three sons, Daniel Thompson Jr. Lexington, North Carolina, Chase Thompson, Millbrook, Alabama, and Jamie Albin (Ann) of Charlotte, North

Carolina; his daughter, Reagan Owens of Matthews, Alabama; his sister, Karen Brown (Neil) of Atlanta, Georgia; and three grandchildren, Caidra Lundy (Zack), Tee Cooper Owens, and Crews Owens. He is also survived by his aunts, Isabel Cox, Tampa, Florida, Tessie Hingley of Tampa, Florida, his uncle, Sammy Thompson of Tampa, Florida and several nieces and nephews; and Kim Cosby, a close family friend dear to both Danny and Lisa and affectionally referred to by both Danny and Lisa as “the other wife.” Family and friends will gather to visit, tell stories, and share memories and anecdotes, on Thursday afternoon, March 12, 2026, from 1:00 pm until 2:00 pm at Brookside Funeral Home, 3360 Brookside Drive, Millbrook, AL. This will be followed by a funeral service at 2:00 pm at Brookside Funeral Home chapel with Mark Pace eulogizing. Pallbearers will be Joshua Chase Thompson, Daniel Lee Thompson, Jr., Tee Cooper Owens, James Albin, Neil Brown, Matthew Luster, Johnny Davis, Joe Barnett, David Lewis, Billy Thomas and Walter Alexander. The interment will follow at Brookside Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that any memorial gifts be made to The Tunnel to Towers Foundation, The Wounded Warrior Project, or the Autauga County Humane Society.

Brookside Funeral Home, Crematorium & Memorial Gardens of Millbrook, AL directing.

# Cemetery Details

## Brookside Memorial Gardens

3360 Brookside Dr.  
Millbrook, AL 36054  
(334) 285-7442  
<https://www.brooksidefuneralhomeal.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 12.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

**MAR 12.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Burial

MAR 12 (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I had known Danny since before we were old enough to drive. He had a Kawasaki 350, John had a Yamaha 175 and I had a Suzuki 185 and we were all over Montgomery and would ride trails at The Pit on Norman Bridge Road and at Wares Ferry. We would hang out as Mr Cycle on the Southern ByPass and on Sundays ride out toward Wepumka to watch the local motocross races. Danny was the 1st to drive and drove a Pontiac LeMans, I think it was Karen's car. I remember he bought a beautiful Torino Cobra and needed a transmission for it and me and him took that same Pontiac to a to go after one he had found and wen through SlapOut, Al. Back then it was an intersection with 4 cops, one for each stop sign. We laughed about that the last time I saw Danny. Over the years as we got older I kept track of both Danny and John and would stop by and see them when I was in town It was Danny that called me a few years ago when John found out he had cancer and it was also Danny that called me on that New Years Day that John was gone. The last time I saw Danny I had drove down to Millbrook for my step mother's funeral and I went by the store to see him before I drove back home. I talked to him a few times on the phone over the last year and I started gettin gworried when he wouold no longer answer the phone. I would call the store from time to time to get updates on him and had hoped to get down to see him one more time but as it happens with work and grandsons it is hard ot find the time. As it happens when you don't live close by I found out on here. Hard to believe him and John are both gone. I will miss him greatly. David Clark, ie "Funk"

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David Clark - May 24 at 11:13 AM



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**Brookside Funeral Home** - March 12 at 12:56 PM

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“ Danny will be greatly missed i loved working for him and Kim and every one at the shop he would sit on his bike and tell me how he loved the feeling of freedom on it . Danny was a one of a kind he wAs honest and didn't mind telling the Truth about things . He always told me to never give up on any thing I wanted to achieve in Life . He said your dreams were all that truly was yours. I will miss him but will forever keep him in my heart. Ride hi my friend you are truly free now.



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**Dorothy Ann Thornton** - March 12 at 02:19 AM