



Danny Gene Owsley

January 7, 1950 - March 14, 2025

Danny Gene Owsley, age 75, of Versailles, passed away Friday, March 14, 2025, at Capital Region Medical Center surrounded by his family. He was born January 7, 1950, in Warsaw, Missouri, son of the late Lewis Donald Owsley and Desta (Curtright) Owsley.

Danny graduated from Windsor High School in 1968. In 1969, he enlisted in the United States Army as a heavy equipment operator, serving in the 589th Engineer Battalion in Vietnam, from May of 1970 until April of 1971.

On April 17, 1970, he married his high school sweetheart, and love of his life, Brenda Kay Woods. Next month, they would have celebrated 55 wonderful years of marriage. Danny and Brenda spent lots of time on the road traveling together and were able to visit 48 out of the 50 states.

Danny was a very hard worker and was a drywaller by trade. He started Owsley Drywall in 1968, which is now run by his son, Jeremy, and grandsons, Brendan and Trenton.

Danny was saved in 1968 on a Wednesday night, in the back pew, at the Windsor Assembly of God. He was called into ministry in 1969. While in the Army, he helped start a Pentecostal Church in Phan Rang, Vietnam. He pastored his first church in Las Vegas, Nevada from 1983 until 1988. In July of

1990, he took over as Pastor of the Versailles Pentecostal Church of God, with only four loyal members. Now known as the Family Worship Center Pentecostal Church of God, where Danny served as the Pastor for 34 years.

He had a love for old cars, especially a 1956 Ford pickup. Danny most recently wrote an autobiography "Owsley - The Danny Owsley Story". He was extremely proud of his heritage, and he wanted to ensure his lifelong memories could be shared. Danny enjoyed rooting on the Kansas City Royals, Versailles Tigers, and Stover Bulldogs; he spent lots of time in the stands. Danny was always with his family; he was very proud of his title, Papaw, to his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and all their friends. His greatest memory was taking all the Owsley boys back to the Owsley Farm where he grew up in Jordan, Missouri. Most importantly, he loved God, his Family, Church Family, and America.

Danny was a beacon of kindness and compassion. He was one of the most generous and caring people you could know. Danny never met a stranger and genuinely loved everyone. His life was a testament to selflessness and love, leaving behind a legacy that impacted many lives. Danny's presence was a blessing to all who were fortunate enough to know him. He was a loyal shepherd over his flock.

He is survived by his wife Brenda of the home; sons Joe (Kelley) Owsley of Jefferson City, and Jeremy (Melissa) Owsley of Sunrise Beach; his grandchildren, Tyler (Laura) Jones, Jon (Amber), Rehagen, Austin Owsley, Joey (Elizabeth) Owsley, Brendan (Cheyenne) Owsley, and Trenton (Keiley) Owsley; great-grandchildren, Molly, Zoiey, Owen, Greyson, Jace, Kalan, Brynn, and Mya. His sister Katholene Johnston, aunts, many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Danny was preceded in death by his parents L.D. Owsley and Desta Gant and

his brother James Lewis (Bud) Owsley.

Danny will take his final ride in a 1956 Ford, driven by his sons Joe and Jeremy in the procession to the cemetery. They will drive from the church down to Newton Street, then pass by the original FWC building off Hunter Street.

The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Friday, March 21st, at the Family Worship Center in Versailles. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Friday, at the church. Graveside services and interment with full military honors will follow in the Versailles Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Family Worship Center.

Arrangements are under the directions and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

Cemetery Details

Versailles Cemetery

550 Clay Road
Versailles, MO 65084

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Family Worship Center
1000 Jones Ave.
Versailles, MO 65084

Service

MAR 21. 1:00 PM (CT)

Family Worship Center
1000 Jones Ave.
Versailles, MO 65084

Tribute Wall

MD

“ *Mary Ellen Dunnaway lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



Mary Ellen Dunnaway - March 24, 2025 at 05:01 PM

RM

“ *Rachel Celina Grace Martin lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



Rachel Celina Grace Martin - March 23, 2025 at 05:49 PM

JR

“ *Jennifer Reid lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



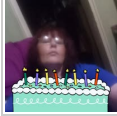
Jennifer Reid - March 21, 2025 at 10:43 AM



“ *Angela Madden lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



Angela Madden - March 20, 2025 at 08:27 PM



We have known pastor Danny and Sister Brenda for a bout 20 yrs ,we loved them a lot.I know you are praising up in heaven .Love you pastor Danny until I see you again.

Angela Madden - March 20, 2025 at 08:30 PM

RB

*“ Rodney & Pamela Brown,
We've known Danny & Brenda since about 1992 A notable encounter was at SavALot (Versailles) when they used to have a small restaurant in there. He came over to our table & invited us to Church there was like a magnet drawing us to Family Worship Center & we "knew" where we were supposed to be.
Me, as a Drywaller, had Danny, Jeremy & their crew Hang almost every bit of my Drywall. Approx 24,000,000 million sq ft of which theyve done excellent work.
My relationship with Danny was like he was an older brother of which I could share anything. I called him about 10:00 one night "knowing" that my body was having a heart attack & he said a tremendous prayer "in the name of Jesus" & about an hour later the rapid heart beat & severe pain in my chest left. I cry when I think back on that night as God (Jesus) came to my rescue (through Danny's prayer). In my mind I remember as Danny would say all the time "if you weren't here I would shout (out of joy). I can just imagine that all of heaven had to put their fingers in their ears as he let out the most intense Shout for Joy that has "EVER" been heard !!! "If" you know Jesus as your personal Saviour and Lord you can with utmost confidence say "I'll see ya later, Danny"*

Rodney & Pamela Brown - March 20, 2025 at 03:17 PM

RB

Danny & his company Hung about 2,400,000 sq ft of sheetrock over the last 34 years. (not 24 million :)

Rodney & Pamela Brown - March 20, 2025 at 08:03 PM

PC

“ So very sorry for your loss. He was a beautiful soul and a true man of God. Was so nice to everyone. He will be deeply missed. Lifting the family up in prayer.



Patricia Chism - March 20, 2025 at 12:04 PM

LB

“ Linda Branch lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley



Linda Branch - March 20, 2025 at 10:13 AM

RM

“ Regina Farr Myers lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley



Regina Farr Myers - March 20, 2025 at 05:54 AM

RU

“ Pastor Danny you will be missed. Love you and Thank you so much for pouring your life into me while in Las Vegas! You were a great pastor and because of you I followed the Lord and had the experience of pastoring. Thank You Sis Brenda for sharing him with us in Las Vegas. Love Ruthie and Urrabazo Family

Ruth urrabazo - March 18, 2025 at 10:28 PM

CR

“ Sending my heartfelt condolences to the all of the Owsley family! He had the biggest heart and the biggest smile to go along with it. I was a small child when we started going to church at FWC and no matter how many years that had passed anytime I'd come back to town to visit he'd always be there. It always stuck out to me how after any church service he and Brenda would shake everyone's hand as they left. They didn't care who you were or what your story was, anyone was welcome. What a beautiful legacy he has left behind in his sons, grandsons and great grandchildren.

Clarissa Repp - March 18, 2025 at 04:18 PM

TO

“ Pastor Danny brought me to the Lord once again. I will be forever grateful to him. I will miss you



Teresa Oshel - March 18, 2025 at 01:09 PM

TA

“ Trish & Mark Anderson lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley



Trish & Mark Anderson - March 18, 2025 at 09:51 AM

SL

“ *ShaNay Long lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



ShaNay Long - March 18, 2025 at 09:49 AM

TV

“ *Tony & Virginia lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



Tony & Virginia - March 18, 2025 at 09:03 AM

SB

“ *Pastor Danny was always there for all of my family we are forever grateful for all that he has done. Heaven gained one beautiful Angel Friday.. Prayers to his Family and Friends 🙏*

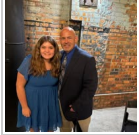


Shanell Branch - March 17, 2025 at 10:52 PM

MC

I'm stunned, shocked when this came up on my Facebook. I've missed coming up to church on Sundays for a year or more, I've missed Pastor Danny's loving, caring, sweet face saying Welcome Chelle glad you're here and hand shake. I guess God needed him more. My Deepest Sympathies and Prayers for all. I have a medical procedure Friday, I'll come for a visit soon. ❤️🙏❤️

Mary Michelle "Chelle" Carter - March 17, 2025 at 11:19 PM



“ *David White lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



David White - March 17, 2025 at 10:08 PM

GC

“ *Danny, my cousin, was the son of my Aunt Destie, and she was the first born child of my grandparents, who had 9 children, though, one died young on my Dad's birthday. My Dad was the 4th born and did his career in the Air Force, so our family had limited interaction with my cousins, aunts and uncles. But we had 2 weeks every year of family time while my Dad was on leave. Those are some of my best memories and a time when I got to play with my cousins. Danny and I started talking a few times a year and we had great conversations about our youth and family. Danny kept me abreast of how Kansas City family was doing, since I was in St Louis. Danny and I had great discussions and I felt a genuine reconnection as we were now old men. About 8 months ago Danny sent me a book he had written about his life. I read it covet to cover and learned allot about my cousin that I didn't know. Danny invited us to come down and see his pride and joy, his church, but I never made it. Danny had a life well lived, and had many who love him. What more can a man ask for in life. RIP cousin.*

Gary Curtright - March 17, 2025 at 09:41 PM

ML

“ *Mark & Lisa (Woods) Lacer lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



Mark & Lisa (Woods) Lacer - March 17, 2025 at 09:25 PM

JC

“ *On behalf of my wife, Jessica, and my boys, Ethan and Greysen, we are eternally grateful to Pastor Danny and Brenda Owsley. They truly are angels on earth. They have helped us out so much that we could never repay. Pastor showed us what unconditional love really is. You were more than a pastor. You were a friend in time of need. A confidant when I needed counseling. A man truly after the heart of God. When you woke up in heaven you heard "Well done thou good and faithful servant".*

Jeff Cole - March 17, 2025 at 09:20 PM

PZ

“ *I met Pastor Danny many years ago when I worked at Pizza Hut in Versailles. He was a great man of God and he will be missed by so many that knew him.*



Patricia Zeigler - March 17, 2025 at 09:05 PM

MG

“ *I met Pastor Danny last year when I was visiting my son and family (Jeff and Jessica Cole) He took them under his wing when they needed it most and for that I'm eternally grateful! Love Pastor and Brenda and family!*

Marcia Griffeth - March 17, 2025 at 08:38 PM

AH

“ Angie Hilkemeyer lit a candle in memory of
Danny Gene Owsley



Angie Hilkemeyer - March 17, 2025 at 08:30 PM

DH

“ Darren And Regina Hilgar lit a candle in
memory of Danny Gene Owsley



Darren and Regina Hilgar - March 17, 2025 at 08:25 PM

LR

“ Lea Ann Rush lit a candle in memory of
Danny Gene Owsley



Lea ann Rush - March 17, 2025 at 08:14 PM

JC

“ Jason & Ronda Chappell lit a candle in
memory of Danny Gene Owsley



Jason & Ronda Chappell - March 17, 2025 at 08:08 PM

DH

“ *Dell Hilgar lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



Dell Hilgar - March 17, 2025 at 07:55 PM

DH

Danny Owsley was always by our side when my husband had lung cancer and any other time we needed him I will miss him very much rest in peace in a place called heaven

Dell Hilgar - March 17, 2025 at 07:59 PM

SJ

“ *Sara James lit a candle in memory of Danny Gene Owsley*



Sara James - March 17, 2025 at 06:29 PM