



Daniel John Frye

September 18, 1983 - February 17, 2026

Daniel Frye of Eden Prairie, Minnesota, passed away on February 17, 2026. He was cherished by his family, friends, and colleagues, leaving this world far too soon. Daniel was preceded in death by his beloved dogs, Jack and Riley. He is survived by his parents, John and Debra Frye; his sisters, Heather Frye and Adrienne & Marc Jacops; as well as many cousins, aunts, uncles, and a wide circle of friends.

Known affectionately as "Frye Guy," Dan was admired for his kindness, gentle spirit, and genuine heart. His compassion knew no bounds—he would literally give the shirt off his back for those he cared about, and he loved deeply and sincerely. Dan had a passion for all sports, with baseball holding a special place in his heart. He was a talented player and a dedicated fan. He also enjoyed biking and fishing with his younger cousins. Above all, he prioritized making those around him feel loved and cared for. He was known for surprising his mother with flowers and never arriving anywhere empty-handed. Among his greatest joys were his dogs, Jack and Riley.

Dan was a proud graduate of Eden Prairie High School. He continued his education at Normandale Community College, Dunwoody Institute, and the University of Minnesota. He began his professional journey as a pharmacy technician at Snyder Drug, later joining University of Minnesota Fairview Hospital, where he rose to the position of pharmaceutical buyer.

Dan leaves behind many cherished memories and will be deeply missed by all who knew him. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the American Heart Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **28**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Dawn Valley Chapel
9940 Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55438

Memorial Service

FEB **28**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for Daniel John Frye in memory of Daniel John Frye



Washburn-McReavy - February 23 at 11:45 AM

JM

Danny boy, God must have needed an angel. You were my friend and teammate. We met when we were 11 on the ball field and remained friends until the end. Frye Guy was one of the most gentle guys around. As a little bit of a hot head I always admired how Dan could stay calm during intense situations on the field. Could be down by a run in the 9th with two outs and Dan could let you know it's going to be okay with just his smile. I'll remember that smile as different situations arise through life. I am grateful that god crossed our paths and I got spend life with you. I know you're up in heaven throwing a tennis ball for Jack and Riley! You will be missed, Until we meet again my friend.

Jake

Jake McDonald - February 24 at 10:27 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Daniel John Frye.

March 02 at 01:18 AM

SA

“ My sister was a friend of Dans. I was younger, but because of that she had asked Dan to help my grow skills in baseball. I'll never forget how great Dan was to me. He would pick me up at my parents, get us food, and go practice throwing at Miller Park. My sister and I still talk about this to the day. Before Dans passing I would randomly bring up Dan to ask how he was doing. I hadn't seen him in over 20 years, but he would always like my posts on various social medias. This one hurts. What a great guy.

Stephen Anderson - February 28 at 04:59 PM

DB

It was a joy watching him play baseball for Eden Prairie. A wonderful young man. Thoughts and prayers to his family.

Drew Bartley - March 04 at 06:32 AM

MS

“ Mark, Joan, Andrew, Brian, Craig & Sara purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Daniel John Frye.



Mark, Joan, Andrew, Brian, Craig & Sara - February 27 at 08:00 PM

MS

“ Mark, Joan, Andrew, Brian, Craig & Sara planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel John Frye.

Mark, Joan, Andrew, Brian, Craig & Sara - February 27 at 08:00 PM



“ I have known Dan for about 25 years. In that time, I have never come accross a single person that didn't think highly of Dan and respect him for his kindness, work ethic, and intelligence. He was always willing to help no matter what the tasks was. He will truly be missed.

John Phillippi - February 27 at 07:03 PM

KA

“ Dan,
You were one of the kindest men I've ever been privileged to know. You always helped, asked questions, brought concerns forward and did it in the nicest way. I will never forget you stopping in my office early one morning because when you went to put on your IV room shoes (sitting on the floor in the changing room) and there was a little mouse curled up, sleeping in your shoe. You said, "I just couldn't kill it, it looked so peaceful, but you might want to call Plunketts." You had such a big heart for animals and nature. Jack and Jaxon were blessed.
I loved texting for hours on end with you, and getting to know you better, outside of work. We had to maintain a secret friendship because I was management and that was fine with me, because you were important to me. I will cherish those texts for years and years to come.
I know you are at peace, not in any pain, or experiencing any worry and I am thankful for that. Know that you forever made an imprint on my heart and I am grateful that I was lucky enough to know you.
You will always be missed.
Love and hugs friend❤️
Kim

Kim Arrona - February 27 at 01:12 PM

SC

“ *Sent with love & our deepest condolences purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Daniel John Frye.*



Sent with love & our deepest condolences - February 26 at 08:49 PM

MS

“ Frye Guy,

There wasn't a mean bone in your body. The only person who ever got to see a glimpse was a brick wall that took your left hook.

It's strange how life's tragedy brings people together. I wish we would've spent more time together in recent years. There are consistent themes that weave through the conversations between folks when reflecting on their brief or long experience with Dan. One, stop with "I'll do it tomorrow" or "next year," do it today. I remember you hadn't played ball consistently at this point in life but randomly decided to tryout for the St. Paul Saints and made it to the final cut. Which illustrates the talent you had on the diamond. Two, your willingness to help others without being asked. I remember taking my car to the Frye garage to get a new dent out of the bumper. Clearly this was a trait that was learned and modeled by your parents that you continued to carry out.

Replaying all the memories, there are a ton on the field, but others that also stick with me.

I'll remember...

You always grabbing me by the shoulders with a smile and saying, "Hey Matty."

Going to bed at the same time John was leaving for work.

Not waiting for tomorrow to shave our heads in your garage.

Copying the blue light you put in your Honda because I thought it was cool.

Sitting on the porch with the Twins game playing in the background till we decided to care figuring out what we were going to do that night.

Putting our tent at the bottom of a hill at the DMB concert, only to find it flooded when we got back.

A community is going to miss you.

Love you. Matty

Matt Steichen - February 25 at 11:37 AM

ME

“ *Sending my deepest condolences to everyone that knew Daniel. I had the privilege of working at West Bank with Daniel and he was always willing to help.*

meaghan - February 24 at 10:22 AM

JG

“ *I was incredibly saddened to hear the news of Dan's passing.*

I've been coaching baseball for over twenty years now, but I still think back to that very first team when I was just 19. Dan was a huge part of that, and that group of guys made a lasting impact on me.

It was a blast watching his talent and work ethic develop on the field, but what I remember most about "The Frye Guy" was how he showed up for his teammates. He truly was one of the good ones.

I feel incredibly lucky that I got to be even a small part of his journey.

Jeff "Gags" Gagstetter

Jeff Gagstetter - February 23 at 05:39 PM

SP

“ *5 Trees in your honor Dan. 5 more trees for you to cut down. I love you a ton.*

Steven Phanthavong - February 23 at 07:46 AM

SP

“ Steven P. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel John Frye.

Steven P. - February 23 at 07:43 AM

SM

“ Sherome and Artisha Milon purchased the *Pretty Please* for the family of Daniel John Frye.



Sherome and Artisha Milon - February 21 at 11:01 PM

BO

“ Brian O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel John Frye.

Brian O. - February 21 at 02:50 PM

LF

“ Love, Jeff & Liana Bruce and Candy F. purchased the *Serene Retreat* for the family of Daniel John Frye.



Love, Jeff & Liana Bruce and Candy F. - February 21 at 11:18 AM

LF

“ Love, Sandy L., Sandy M. And Candy F
purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for
the family of Daniel John Frye.



Love, Sandy L., Sandy M. And Candy F - February 21 at 11:09
AM