



## Daniel Paul Bivens

February 19, 1956 - February 27, 2024

Daniel Paul Bivens, a man that dedicated his life to farming, he passed away at home surrounded by his family on Tuesday, February 27, 2024. Dan 68, of Delton, formerly of Bellevue, was born on February 19, 1956, in Battle Creek to Laverne and Erdine (Langs) Bivens. He graduated from Bellevue, in 1974. While in school Dan was an honoree in FFA earning the American Farmer Degree, the highest degree of membership in 1977. After graduation he was in partnership with his father on the family farm LaDine Farms. In 1979 he married Jody Kay Bair at the Assyria Gospel Church. After a few years of working on the farm he pursued different avenues in the farming business. He worked up until he was unable due to health problems.

Dan enjoyed being outdoors, hunting, bass fishing, woodworking, gardening, tending to his roses, baking, canning, cooking, making desserts, hospitality to his friends and family, and most importantly teaching his grandchildren how to bake and can. The family also enjoyed traveling and camping. Dan and Jody's favorite vacation destination was the Smokey Mountains in Tennessee. Dan was active in his church, he led a men's fellowship bible study, and playing his guitar in the church praise band. Above all Dan loved being around his family and friends.

Dan is survived by his wife of 44 years, Jody; daughters, Frances (Tim Hyatt) Bivens, Marie (Harvey) Stall, Hilary (Andy) Martini, and Jessie Bivens; 13

grandchildren, Brandon, Anna, Hunter, Brayden, Easton, Noah, Izzabella, Harvey Jr., Kymber, Caden, Gabe, Timmy, and Carter; 1 great-grandchild, Leland; mother, Erdine; siblings, Lola (Kenny) Wright, Gary (Linda) Bivens, Lynn (Alison) Bivens, and David (Sally) Bivens; mother-in-law, Joan Bair; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family members. He was predeceased by his father, Laverne; and father-in-law, Roland "Bud" Bair.

Friends are encouraged to support Dan's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). A Memorial Visitation will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Gideons International. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Previous Events

## Memorial

MAR 9. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W Seminary St  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Daniel Paul Bivens*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - March 07, 2024 at 09:48 AM

SP

*THATS BEAUTIFUL.*

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**STUART PECK** - March 10, 2024 at 04:45 AM

SS

*Thank you for posting...God, family, friends and fishing plus much more. It's been and honor knowing Dan and his family.*

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**Sandy Schilz** - March 10, 2024 at 09:21 PM

DL

“ *Donna L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel Paul Bivens.*

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**Donna L.** - March 09, 2024 at 08:08 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Daniel Paul Bivens.*



March 07, 2024 at 08:42 PM



“ *42 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 07, 2024 at 09:45 AM



“ *Dan was a wonderful neighbor. When we first moved by Dan and Jody two years ago Dan saw us outside working in the yard. He brought his tractor over and helped smooth out our driveway. Dan also would bring us vegetables from his garden. We will miss seeing him out in his garden and our conversations. Continued prayers for the family in this difficult time.*

Kimberly Hancock - March 05, 2024 at 06:53 PM



“ *God bless and keep you all. Prayers. Elaine.*

Elaine Collins - March 02, 2024 at 10:22 PM

EL

“ *Erica, Tyler, Bentley and Adalynne Lewis purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Daniel Paul Bivens.*



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**Erica, Tyler, Bentley and Adalynne Lewis** - March 01, 2024 at 09:32 AM

DS

“ *Jody-*

*So sorry to hear of your loss. Dan was a good neighbor. He always had great gardens and he would always bring delicious fresh vegetables to us. He will be missed by everyone who knew him.*

*Our sincere sympathy to you and your entire family.*

*Dottie Schallhorn*

*Kathy Ruley & Family*

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**Dottie Schallhorn** - February 29, 2024 at 07:14 PM

HM

“ I'll always cherish the times we had together. The time you took me out hunting for the first time. All the times going out to uncle bills fishing. I miss you more than you know. All the things you taught me I was able to pass it on to my boys and teach them. I can only imagine what it's like up in heaven with grandpa bair and Bivens, catching up on everything. I will see you again Love you dad



Hilary Martini - February 28, 2024 at 09:16 PM

BH

All of your memories are so precious. You are very lucky. Bill and I love your dad and will miss him always ❤️🙏

Bill and Marianne Heine - February 28, 2024 at 09:34 PM

TP

“ Tim and Patty Pollard(mom) purchased the Simple Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Daniel Paul Bivens.



Tim and Patty Pollard(mom) - February 28, 2024 at 04:19 PM

GS

“ Griffin Pest Solutions planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel Bivens.

Griffin Pest Solutions - February 28, 2024 at 02:16 PM

GS

“ Griffin Pest Solutions purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Daniel Paul Bivens.



Griffin Pest Solutions - February 28, 2024 at 02:16 PM