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Charlie Dan Rucker Jr. (Danny) passed away surrounded by his loving family on September 18, 2024, at the age of 72 years. Danny will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 51 years, Deborah, and his children Kelli, son-in-law, Joe Quijada, son, Kyle, and daughter-in-law, Angelina. His five grandchildren, Jacob, Avery, Luke, Kaelyn, and Kasyn were the pride of his life.

Danny was born on September 16, 1952, in Jacinto City, Texas to Charlie and Mary Frances Rucker. Danny attended elementary, junior high, and high school in the Galena Park ISD. He graduated from Galena Park High School in 1971. He also attended San Jac Community College. Danny and Deborah met on a blind date arranged by friends in June 1972 and married on October 5, 1973. They spent 51 years building a family and a wonderful life together. Danny is survived by his sister, Charlotte Storey, and husband, Gary, Rozanne Greenlee and husband Scott, Charles Rucker and wife Debbie, and Leigh Ann and husband Brian Risinger. He will truly be missed by stepmother, Rosemary Rucker, sister in laws, Carolyn Rucker and Tammy Rucker, sister in law Jean and brother in law, Billy Williamson, sister in law Lily Blackburn, sister in law Gail and husband, Tommy Herring and sister in law, Nancy Isaacks. Numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive him.

Family was the most important part of Danny's life. He was the best father, husband, "Papa", "Pops" and friend you would ever meet. Danny was a lifelong hunter, fisherman, and nature lover. He especially enjoyed hunting and fishing with his family and countless friends. He always enjoyed attending fun family lunches and dinners and celebrating family and friends' milestones. Deborah and Danny loved to travel with friends and family and nothing was as precious as spending time with family. To celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary, they enjoyed a wonderful trip with their children and grandchildren to Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine. Traveling with his children, grandchildren, and friends brought him joy and many wonderful memories.



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Danny had a successful career in the Sheet Metal industry for over 45 years. He retired in 2019 from Straus Systems, Inc. Danny made strong and lasting friendships with many of his coworkers and he enjoyed spending time with these friends hunting and fishing.

Danny was always singing and could be quoted as saying, "there's a song for everything". He was funny, quick-witted, and a great storyteller. His family often joked that he was like the television character "MacGyver" because he could fix anything or solve almost any problem.

Danny is preceded in death by his parents, Charlie and Mary, sister, Carol Ann Barker, and brothers, Don Rucker and Ricky Rucker.



Tribute Wall

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Ashlee M. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Charlie.



September 25 at 3:28 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Charlie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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