

## Danny Wayne Tinchler

September 5, 1948 - December 28, 2025

Danny Wayne Tinchler

Age 77, of Cissna Park and formerly of Flat Rock, IL, passed away peacefully on December 28, 2025, at his residence in Essex, IL, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on September 5, 1948, in Hammond, IN, to Joe and Druscilla (née Butcher) Tinchler. Danny married Patricia Crum Ramsey, and together they shared 35 years of marriage, building a life rooted in love, loyalty, and family.

Danny proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War, completing two tours of duty in Vietnam. He entered active service in January of 1966 and was honorably discharged in December of 1968, attaining the rank of Specialist Fifth Class. Danny served as a wheel vehicle repairman with an engineer battalion, providing essential support to military operations overseas. In recognition of his service, he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Meritorious Unit Commendation. Deeply patriotic and proud to love and serve his country, Danny held his military service in high regard, and his dedication, sacrifice, and honorable service will always be remembered with gratitude and respect.

Danny dedicated his working career as a machinist at Caterpillar in Joliet, where he later retired after many decades of service. A proud veteran, he was

a lifetime member of VFW Post #4549 in Robinson, IL, for more than 50 years, as well as a member of American Legion Unit #132 in Flat Rock, IL. Outside of work, Danny enjoyed attending auctions, boating and fishing, working on cars, and fixing just about anything that needed repair. Fondly known as a “professional mower,” he took great pride in keeping his lawn meticulously maintained. Big dogs were his favorite, and as an avid animal lover, he held a special place in his heart for them. Above all, Danny cherished time spent with his family and grandchildren, who were the greatest joy of his life.

Danny is survived by his beloved wife, Patti; daughters, Catherine (Anthony Metcalf) Tincher of Coal City, IL, Aimee (Shon Yates) Ramsey of Shorewood, IL, Andrea (Chris) Minder of Essex, IL, and Stephanie (Adam) Fugett of Braidwood, IL; step-son, David Staten of Chicago, IL; six grandchildren, Nathan Tincher-Robinson, Natalie Robinson, Stephen Rodriguez, Olivia Fugett, Wesley Minder, and Vivian Fugett; one cherished great-granddaughter, Nola Robinson; and his nephew, Larry (Donna) Tincher. He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Suzanne Ramsey; and his brother, Bill Tincher.

Visitation will be held at R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory on Thursday, January 8, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m., with funeral services beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment with full military honors will follow at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, IL, at 1:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in Danny’s name may be made to Uplift Care Hospice. For more information and to visit Danny’s online guestbook, please visit [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find us on Facebook.

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory

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# Cemetery Details

## Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Rd.  
Elwood, IL 60421

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Service

JAN 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Interment with Military Funeral Honors

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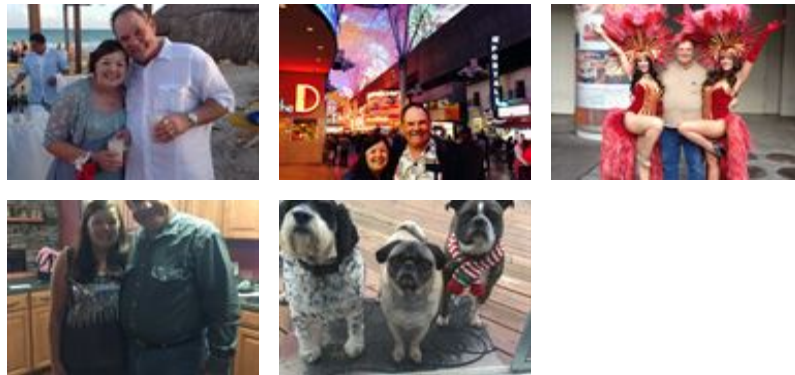
JAN 8. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



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R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - January 06 at 04:18 PM

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“ Danny was my cousin. His mom was my dad's twin sister. He was always smiling and very kind . You will be missed  
Love  
Mike and Robin Heaton

Robin and Mike Heaton - January 05 at 12:34 PM

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“ I worked with Danny at Caterpillar in Joliet. He was one of our machine operators. He took great pride making parts on his machine. It was a pleasure to have known him.  
David Wiley Caterpillar manager.

David Wiley - January 03 at 01:57 PM