



H. Daniel McCollister, father, Pop-Pop, friend, entrepreneur, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, October 6, 2022 at the age of 74.

Dan was born on October 15, 1947 to Daniel H McCollister (Boss) and Naomi Whitesell McCollister (Missy). He was born into the moving and storage industry and was most likely packing a dish barrel before he could walk. Due to an illness with Boss, Dan had to take over the family business in 1969 at the young age of 22. Dan married Carol J Gakeler on November 9, 1968 and together they had one son, Daniel.

Dan had a passion for three things, work, cars and his grandchildren. Although he was technically retired, he could still be found at the office on any given day. When he wasn't working, he was spending time with his grandchildren or driving one of his antique cars. More often than not he was driving with one of them by his side. Ever the entrepreneur, he successfully built one of the premier specialty logistics companies in the country. He was also an active shareholder in United Van Lines and Unigroup, the parent company that owns United and Mayflower Transit. Dan served on their Board of Directors for over 30 years and as Chairman from 2007 until he retired from the board in 2018. He was presented with their first Lifetime Achievement Award in 2018 and was also recently honored as the Lifetime Achievement Award winner at the ATA Moving and Storage Conference. Dan was a larger than life individual that will be dearly missed by so many.

Dan was preceded in death by Boss, Missy and Carol. He is survived by his son, Daniel, daughter-in-law, Kelly, and his four grandchildren, Isabella, Daniel, Poppy and Primrose.

A viewing will be held at Palmyra Home for Funerals, 410 Market St, Palmyra, NJ on October 18th from 6pm to 9pm. A second viewing will be held at Delaware Valley Baptist Church, 493 Beverly-Rancocas Rd, Willingboro, NJ on October 19th from 9am to 11am. Services will begin 11:00 am, followed by Graveside services and Interment at Odd Fellows Cemetery, 4527 Route 130 S, Burlington, NJ. A reception to Celebrate his life will be held at 2:30pm at Smithville Park, 803 Smithville Rd, Eastampton, NJ. There will also be a small car show to honor Dan. As a tribute to his passion for cars, please feel free to bring an antique, muscle, exotic, etc.

The family has requested donations to be made in Dan's honor to Jefferson University Hospital Office of Institutional Advancement, Thomas Jefferson University and Jefferson Health, 125 South 9th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107.