



## Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III

December 31, 1975 - June 21, 2020

Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, II, 44, of Goose Creek, husband of Rachel Honour Gehlken, passed away on Sunday, June 21, 2020.

Family and friends are invited to attend his visitation on Thursday, June 25, 2020 from 6 o'clock to 8 o'clock at James A. Dyal Funeral Home. A funeral service will be held on Friday, June 26, 2020 at 11 o'clock at James A. Dyal Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Fallen Lineman Foundation, checks can be mailed to, PO Box 634, Cary, NC 27612, [www.fallenfoundation.com](http://www.fallenfoundation.com).

Dan was born on December 31, 1975 in Charleston, SC, son of the late Dan Leonard Gehlken and Patricia Gehlken Powell. He graduated from Septima P. Clark Corporate Academy class of "1994". Dan was a great husband and dad that spoiled and loved his family. He loved family vacations, father and son adventures and date nights with Rachel. In his career Dan was an accomplished Lineman being recognized as the youngest First-Class Lineman early in his career while serving Berkeley Electric Cooperation in Goose Creek. He served BEC for over 14 years. His career included aerial linework taking him all around the United States and Puerto Rico. He was employed at Joint Base Charleston. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends,

doing yardwork, and laying in the pool in his backyard oasis.

Survivors in addition to his wife Rachel are: son, Stryker Evan Gehlken of Goose Creek, father and mother in law: Mark and Christi Stowell of Aiken, brother and sister in law: James Michael Honour, Jr. (Lorie) of Lexington; brother in law, Logan Stowell of Aiken; grandmother, Sara Way of Summerville; nieces and nephews: Peyton, Maddison and Jillian Honour of Lexington, Grace and Carter Stowell of Aiken; special cousins: Robert and Renee Hess, Robert, Cassie and Ellie, and Hunter Hess. He was also survived by father figure, Clarence Brownlee. In addition to his parents he was predeceased by sister, Pamela Gehlken and grandparents.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at [www.jamesadyal.com](http://www.jamesadyal.com).

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **25**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home  
303 S. Main Street  
Summerville, SC 29483  
(843) 873-4040  
<https://www.jamesadyal.com>

## Service

JUN **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home Chapel  
303 S. Main Street  
Summerville, SC 29483

# Tribute Wall



“ James A Dyal Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III



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**James A Dyal Funeral Home** - June 25, 2020 at 10:21 AM



“ Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III

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September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ This is so heartbreaking. I knew this great man from him working with my son Jeremy Ware. My condolence to his family and friends.

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**Janet Brown Jurosko** - June 26, 2020 at 10:38 PM



“ My dear sweet favorite son in law. What are we going to do without your infectious laughter, smiles and fun times. I will always remember how you always hugged me and kissed me. Right now it's not okay but we are going to be okay. Please watch over us and know what a blessing you were to me. Rest in peace my son until we meet again. I love you, Mom.

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**Christi Stowell** - June 26, 2020 at 08:01 PM

TS

“ Mark, so sorry to hear this. Thinking of you and your family.

TERRI SKIDMORE - June 25, 2020 at 10:51 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



June 25, 2020 at 07:23 PM



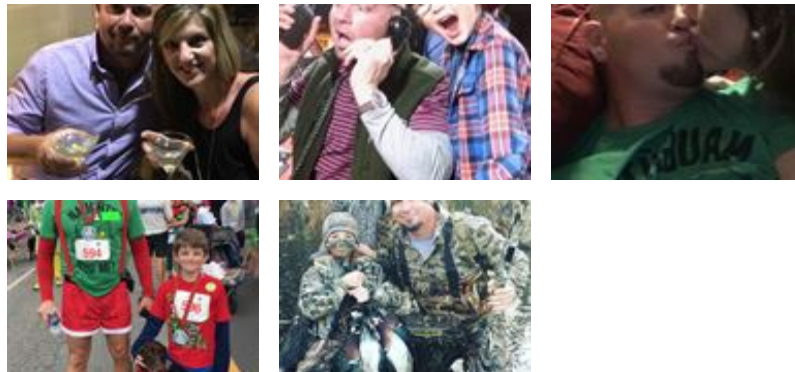
“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



June 25, 2020 at 02:09 PM



“ 103 files added to the album LifeTributes



James A Dyal Funeral Home - June 25, 2020 at 10:16 AM

RG

“ *It was always a joy to see Dan, Rachael and Stryker at Boone Hill. Prayers for comfort and peace to Rachael and Stryker and family.*

Rev. Steve Garner - June 25, 2020 at 10:07 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.*



June 25, 2020 at 09:59 AM

MB

“ *Sending prayers to Rachel, Stryker and family. To say we're a surprised about learning of Dans passing is an understatement. I have some really great memories growing up with Danny in Glynn Terrace and as life holds we drifted apart as is commonplace these days. He was an always will be my friend I hope the family can find peace he left this life to soon! Much love from The Bakers..*

Martin Baker - June 25, 2020 at 04:58 AM

JK

“ *Jill Kersh lit a candle in memory of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III*



Jill Kersh - June 25, 2020 at 12:27 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.*



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June 24, 2020 at 10:01 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.*



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June 24, 2020 at 09:54 PM



“ *Dear Rachel and Styker, my condolences on Dan's untimely passing. May his memory serve as a blessing to both of you and your entire family. Know that my thoughts are with you during this difficult time.*  
*Nanci Kestenbaum*

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**Nanci Kestenbaum** - June 24, 2020 at 09:49 PM



“ Rachel and Stryker, please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of Dan.. In PTA, we cared about him as part of our family as we cared for his mom.

*I was delighted that the three of you were such a great family and that you all enjoyed so many wonderful experiences together. Tell those "Dan jokes" and "Dan trips" and "Dan stories" every chance you get ... that way, he'll live forever!*

*Blessings to you, Stryker, and all who loved Dan.*

*Take care.*

*Martha C.Knight  
2011-2013 SCPTA President*

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**Martha Knight** - June 24, 2020 at 06:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.




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June 24, 2020 at 05:49 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.




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June 24, 2020 at 05:33 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



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June 24, 2020 at 02:56 PM



“ Jennifer J Chiola purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



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**Jennifer J Chiola** - June 24, 2020 at 01:05 PM



“ Marlo Busch lit a candle in memory of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III



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**Marlo Busch** - June 24, 2020 at 01:00 PM



“ Kelley Thorpe lit a candle in memory of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III



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**Kelley Thorpe** - June 24, 2020 at 10:31 AM

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“ Louise Lazzarini lit a candle in memory of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III



Louise Lazzarini - June 24, 2020 at 10:02 AM

LH

“ We are very sorry for Dan's loss. Our prayers are with his family. BTD SC, LLC

Laura Haffly - June 24, 2020 at 07:47 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



June 24, 2020 at 07:38 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



June 23, 2020 at 11:10 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.*



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June 23, 2020 at 10:44 PM



“ *The Goose Creek 11/12U Cardinals are sorry for your loss. The team is here for you both should you need anything. You will remain in our thoughts and prayers. A donation was made to the Fallen Lineman Foundation in Dan's memory.*

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**Goose Creek 11/12U Cardinals** - June 23, 2020 at 09:12 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.*



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June 23, 2020 at 08:44 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Dan's passing. We had not seen each other since school days, but I kept up with him on Facebook. My deepest condolences go out to Mrs. Pat and the rest of his family.*



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**Gina Sessoms** - June 23, 2020 at 07:14 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



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June 23, 2020 at 06:22 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



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June 23, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



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June 23, 2020 at 03:37 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Dan "Dan-O-Mite" Leonard Gehlken, III.



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June 23, 2020 at 02:43 PM