



## Leo Daniel O'Neal

July 30, 1952 - March 3, 2018

Leo "Danny" Daniel O'Neal, Sr., 65, of Summerville, husband of Leila E. O'Neal passed away Saturday, March 3, 2018.

Family and friends are invited to attend his visitation on Thursday, March 8, 2018 from 6 to 8 pm at James A. Dyal Funeral Home. Funeral service will be Friday, March 9, 2018 at 2 pm at Miles Road Baptist Church, 816 Miles Road, Summerville, SC 29483. Burial will follow at Dorchester Memory Gardens, 11000 Dorchester Rd., Summerville, SC.

Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to Miles Road Baptist Church Missions Fund, 816 Miles Rd., Summerville, SC 29483.

Danny was born on July 30, 1952 in Sumter, SC, son of Mary Ellen O'Neal of Hollywood and the late Leo Birch O'Neal. He was a graduate of St. Paul's High School. He enjoyed working at Palmetto Goodwill. Most of all he loved being with his family. Danny enjoyed having family over for Sunday dinners, taking early morning boat rides at the lake to watch the sunrise, carpentry, and sport shooting. He was a man of integrity and a loving and supportive husband, father, grandfather, and friend.

Survivors including his wife Leila of 41 years are: four children: Leo Daniel O'Neal, Jr. (Misty) of Hollywood, Jonathan David O'Neal (Kate) of Columbia, Rebekah Elaine (O'Neal) Black (Joshua) of Goose Creek and Matthew James

O'Neal (Sarah) of Vance; seven grandchildren: Jared, Logan, Trevor, Micah, Mason, Rylee and Eleanor; two sisters: Linda Lowder (Frank) of James Island and Alice Humphries (Ronald) of NC; one brother: David O'Neal (Audrey) of Hanahan. He was predeceased by one sister: Joyce Brogdon (Hatcher).

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.

# Cemetery Details

## Dorchester Memory Gardens

11000 Dorchester Road  
Summerville, SC 29485  
<http://www.dorchestermemorygardens.com>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 8.** 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

**MAR 9.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Miles Road Baptist Church  
816 Miles Road  
Summerville, SC 29485

# Tribute Wall



“ James A Dyal Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Leo Daniel O'Neal



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**James A Dyal Funeral Home** - March 07, 2018 at 01:04 PM



“ Leo Daniel O'Neal

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September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ Bill and I always enjoyed the after church get-to-gathers at the O'Neal home. They were so refreshing and both Danny and Leila were extremely good hosts. It was to them, "the more, the merrier". The greatest thing about it was they prepared beforehand so that they, too, could enjoy your company and grateful that you came...always treated you like family. All of the family participated in the preparation and the entertainment. Danny will be missed; but God, has an extremely great Soldier of the Cross with Him in Heaven.

*Regina Greene  
Ladson*

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**Regina Greene** - March 09, 2018 at 01:27 PM

TW

“ It has been my sincere privilege to work with Leo at Palmetto Goodwill. I joined the team about a year ago and quickly realized that his warm smile and caring nature felt like a big hug when he walked into the office. We discovered that our paths had crossed years ago when I interviewed him for a maintenance position at another company. I am so glad he found his home at Goodwill! This is where he was meant to be. He touched the hearts and lives of many; and to a wider and deeper level than I am sure he was ever aware. His faith and love of God allowed his light to shine bright! He will be missed. Your family will continue to be in my prayers during this time and always. Deepest condolences.

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**Tanya Weldon** - March 09, 2018 at 12:52 PM

PC

“ Leila and family,  
My heart is so sad for you all as you go through this dark time. I never met Danny, but felt like I knew him through his family and all the wonderful stories I have heard. I am praying for you all. I love you so much.

*Phyllis Couch*

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**Phyllis Couch** - March 09, 2018 at 08:11 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.



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March 08, 2018 at 04:16 PM

TC

“ *Leila and Family you are in my thoughts and prayers at this time. Tammy Martin Clark.*



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**Tammy Clark** - March 08, 2018 at 09:20 AM

CC

“ *There is so much to say about Danny, an apple of God's eye. He always told the truth, according to God's Word. My favorite memory is one I told many even before he went on to be with the Lord...I could have an idea and Danny would create it. He was a master carpenter. There was nothing he couldn't create. I am blessed to have known him and call him and Leila friend. I will miss him.*

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**Crystal Y. Campbell** - March 07, 2018 at 08:55 PM

KE

“ *Leila and family,*

*Wanted you to know we were saddened to hear of the loss of your dearest Danny. Have many fond memories of our times together as young couples in church and our young families. Danny was always a blessing to be around . Now as we are grandparents, what a great loss for you all and yet there will always be a constant reminder of his love and influence on your family . You were truly blessed with his Godly example. Take comfort in knowing the Lord is near and will bring you all together again.*

*You will be in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time together.*

*Love ,  
Kelly and Charlie and family*

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**Kelly** - March 07, 2018 at 08:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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March 07, 2018 at 08:21 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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March 07, 2018 at 06:59 PM

DS

“ Jon & Kate,

*I am sorry to hear of your loss of your dad. Please know that you are in my prayers. I hope that you find peace during this time of mourning. If there is anything I can do to help, then please don't hesitate to ask.*

*David Skinner*

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**David Skinner** - March 07, 2018 at 05:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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March 07, 2018 at 05:40 PM

TC

“ Danny and Leila have been close friends to me since I returned from the Vietnam war. We spent uncountable hours staying up late singing gospel songs and playing all types of family games. I was going through post traumatic stress from the war. They took me in as their own family. Even though a little baby (Daniel) showed up, they still had room to love me and help me. We were and are great friends. The news of Leo going to be with Jesus shocked me beyond imagination. I know I will see him soon but the temporary separation has brought many tears. I will be praying for Leila and the children (including all of the grandchildren) regularly. I haven't forgot about his loving Mother. Danny will be sorely missed but only for a short season. Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. (James 4:14) Danny loved the Lord and I will never forget all he has done for me. See you soon Danny.

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**Terry Collins** - March 07, 2018 at 05:26 PM



“ Garden of Serenity Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.



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March 07, 2018 at 12:59 PM

ML

“ *Mama and the 3 Little Ones (Alice, David, and Linda) purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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**Mama and the 3 Little Ones (Alice, David, and Linda)** - March 07, 2018 at 11:01 AM

JB

“ *John, Katie and the Palmer Boys purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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**John, Katie and the Palmer Boys** - March 07, 2018 at 10:42 AM

JW

“ *I first met Leo when I came to work at Goodwill (Palmetto Warrior Connection) and was immediately impressed by his character and his quiet and confident personality. He was always gracious and respectful when responding to critical demands and questions about facilities issues. He was genuine and a kindred spirit and I appreciated him for that. I only wish that I had known him better away from work and taken more time to soak up his life wisdom. Leo focused on the important things in life - his God and his family, and was not worried about accomplishments in the eyes of man. He was a Giant for his God and his family, especially his precious grandchildren. Well done Leo, thou good and faithful servant! You ran a great race, keeping your eyes on the prize, and now you have achieved a crown of righteousness. God bless your family as they deal with your loss.*

*John Wiggins, Palmetto Warrior Connection, USMC (Ret.)*

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**John Wiggins** - March 07, 2018 at 10:10 AM

TB

“ We are praying for all of your family May God give you peace that passes all understanding. There is hope knowing that we will see our loved ones in heaven.

*Brenda and Larry McCutchen, Tina and Ken Beasley*

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**Tina Beasley** - March 07, 2018 at 08:49 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.



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March 07, 2018 at 07:51 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.



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March 06, 2018 at 10:09 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.



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March 06, 2018 at 08:41 PM

CB

“ God welcomes home a faithful servant. Often reflected about him and the family over the years since first meeting Danny at Palmettoland Baptist Church where he was a very vital part of our bus ministry. Prayers to the families for support and comfort during the days ahead.

*Chris and Joyce Beiler, Ridgeville, SC*

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**Chris and Joyce Beiler** - March 06, 2018 at 07:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.



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March 06, 2018 at 06:52 PM

FJ

“ Leila and family. It is with a heavy heart that I have to write this tribute. Although I worked 100 miles away from where Leo's office was, I spent many days on the telephone with him and if he traveled up to the Grand Strand area in usually ran into him at any one of the 7 stores up this way. He was always the first one to ask me if I needed assistance with an issue from any location. We would also talk on the side and he would share pictures of family and about his favorite pastimes. He was a man of God and everyone could tell by the way he treated people and let his light shine. I was deeply saddened to hear about his passing but I know he's sitting at the right hand of God today. May God bless your time as your family and friends gather to pay tribute to his life.

*Fred C. Weaver Jr.  
Myrtle Beach, SC*

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**Fred C. Weaver Jr.** - March 06, 2018 at 06:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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March 06, 2018 at 06:12 PM



“ *Rich & Annamarie Bello purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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**Rich & Annamarie Bello** - March 06, 2018 at 05:52 PM



“ *Mrs. Leila and Family, Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. I am truly going to miss Leo, he was my co-worker, my friend, my prayer partner and my Brother in Christ.*

*I truly am going to miss him but I find comfort in knowing that he is with The FATHER.*

*Peace & Blessings To You All  
Sheila Williams  
Palmetto Goodwill*



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**Sheila Williams** - March 06, 2018 at 03:15 PM

JB

“ *Joyce Balao lit a candle in memory of Leo Daniel O'Neal*



Joyce Balao - March 06, 2018 at 01:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



March 06, 2018 at 11:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



March 06, 2018 at 11:11 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



March 06, 2018 at 11:02 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.*



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March 06, 2018 at 10:05 AM



“ *Dear Leila and Family,*

*You are all in my thoughts and prayers. As part of his Goodwill family, I had the pleasure of working with Leo. What I will remember most is his love for each of you, and of the Lord. It was evident in everything Leo did and in nearly every conversation we had together.*



*May God bring you comfort and peace,  
Tina Marshall*

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**Tina Marshall** - March 06, 2018 at 08:31 AM



“ *To Leila and all the family,*

*I know no words to take away your sorrows but am keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers. Sending my deepest sympathies,*

*Becky Brannon*

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**becky branno** - March 06, 2018 at 05:19 AM

GL

“ Prayers to all of the family. I love you guys and he will be missed.  
Love, Glenda



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**Glenda** - March 05, 2018 at 10:46 PM

LM

“ Laurie McCarty lit a candle in memory of Leo Daniel O'Neal



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**Laurie McCarty** - March 05, 2018 at 08:51 PM

JC

“ May our Lord watch over your family and comfort you. I know this is so very hard. Danny was a godly man who will be greatly missed. He was such a good friend to my Jim. Jeannie Cornish

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**Jeannie Cornish** - March 05, 2018 at 05:42 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Leo Daniel O'Neal.



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March 05, 2018 at 04:35 PM