



## Roger Dale McDaniel

November 1, 1953 - October 4, 2021

WOODLEAF – Mr. Roger Dale McDaniel, 67, of Willie Joe Road, died Monday, October 4, 2021, at his home.

He was born on November 1, 1953, in Iredell County, to the late Wilburn Junior and Ruth Claudine Swicegood McDaniel.

Roger was a member of Needmore Baptist Church and had been Director/Coordinator of the EMS and Fire Program at Rowan Cabarrus Community College for 32 years. He was chief for 32 years of Scotch Irish Fire Department. He enjoyed cattle farming and loved his John Deere tractor. Roger was a mentor to many and will be greatly missed.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Scott McDaniel; and his sister, Kathy Reep.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Mary Shrader McDaniel of the home; a daughter, Courtney McDaniel of Woodleaf; two grandchildren, Kelsie McDaniel and Tryston Houston; nephews, Joshua Reep and John David Arey; a niece, Regana Reep; great-nieces and great-nephews, Makayla Reep, Callie Reep, Corbin Smith, Caleb Reep, Kamryn Reep, Cedric Hawkins and John Hawkins, Jr.; a brother-in-law, Michael Reep of Woodleaf; and sister-in-law, Carolyn Arey (Tim) of Salisbury.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2 p.m., Saturday, October 9, at Eaton Funeral Chapel with Rev. Chris Williams officiating. Interment will follow in Needmore Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, October 8, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be considered for Scotch Irish Fire Department, 3220 Needmore Road, Woodleaf, NC 27054.

Online condolences may be made at <http://www.eatonfuneralservice.com>.

# Cemetery

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**Needmore Baptist Church Cemetery**  
1620 Mount Vernon Road  
Woodleaf, NC, 27054

# Events

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**OCT 8 Visitation 06:00PM - 08:00PM**  

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**Eaton Funeral Chapel**  
325 N Main St, Mocksville, NC, US, 27028

**OCT 9 Funeral Service 02:00PM**  

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# Comments

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“ Amazing person with a true passion for emergency services. A mentor to so many who leaves behind a legacy of helping and shaping the future of emergency services. I Praise God for the blessing of knowing and serving with you and praying God’s comforting presence to be with your family and your emergency services family. Rest In Peace my brother.

alan Thompson - October 19 at 11:02 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roger Dale McDaniel.



October 08 at 05:31 PM

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“ Sharon Craig-Paul and Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Roger Dale McDaniel.



Sharon Craig-Paul and Family - October 08 at 03:06 PM

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“ If you had been lucky enough to know Rogers mother Dean, you would know where his demeanor and soft spokenness came from. Roger took so many traits from his mother. Prayers to the family

Darriell S - October 06 at 08:25 PM

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“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roger Dale McDaniel.



October 06 at 06:22 PM

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“ Roger was amazing during my EMS class at RCCC. I broke my back in a car accident during the class, my instructors and Roger were so helpful and made accommodations for me to still get my class work done while I was recovering. I ended up graduating my EMT class on time and passing my boards thanks to Roger and his amazing team at RCCC. I would come in early after my High School let out and sit in his office where he quizzed me and helped me do my hands on skills. He gave me a new RCCC student shirt since mine got cut off in the wreck and didn't ask me to pay for it even. I will always hold this man in the highest regard and thank him and his team for my career in the medical field.

**Jessica Mesler** - October 06 at 05:32 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roger Dale McDaniel.



October 06 at 08:26 AM

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“ Roger was not only a coworker but someone that I considered a good friend. He was always willing to help anyone that needed it. I will forever remember him walking around with his telephone headset on and his head poking out of his office door whenever the entry bell dinged. A gentle man that was so full of knowledge and was always willing to share it. He spoke softly but you could tell by the way that he carried himself that he was a great leader. He had earned the respect of his peers and his students. I was heartbroken when I heard the news that he had passed. Rest In Peace, my friend. It has been one heck of a journey and I am privileged to have traveled some of it with you. Peace!

**Steve Schenk** - October 05 at 07:28 PM

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“ Roger is and always has been such a giant of a man with a great big heart and a quiet, gentle spirit. His footprint on our community and our community college will live on forever. I've rarely seen anyone who could juggle so many balls at once while staying calm, cool and collected. You are sorely missed already my friend. Prayers for your family and friends left to grieve you. I hope heaven is all you expected it to be.  
~ Sherie Neely

**Sherie Neely** - October 05 at 05:30 PM

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“ I will forever see Rogers smiling face with every fire truck I pass on the road. His spirit is intertwined with all of our firefighters and may his legacy forever live on their lips. Thank you Roger for a job well done. Rest easy my friend. We sure are going to miss you.

**Jay Taylor** - October 05 at 05:10 PM

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“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Roger Dale McDaniel.



October 05 at 05:06 PM

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“ I'll never forget Roger sending me up on the new ladder truck 92-feet in the air at the Mid-Winter Fire Chief's Conference. It was exciting and exhilarating to see the world from up there. I hope heaven is full of chicken livers, deviled eggs, barbecue, and hot sauce!

- Cupcake (Tricia)

**Tricia Staggers** - October 05 at 05:04 PM



“ Having worked with Roger at RCCC it was quite a pleasure. Having been with the college approximately the same amount of time. Meeting Roger for the first time was an experience. Had a smile, on his face told me it was nice to meet me, I told him the same. You know he meant what he said. Through the years we talked about many different subjects. From John Deere Tractors, The best engine to put in a fire trucks and many more things. RCCC will never be the same and an emptiness already exist in my heart knowing I won't be seeing Roger anymore. RIP Roger! We will carry the load from here, Peace to your family. You will be greatly missed.

**Jeff Russell** - October 06 at 09:43 AM



“ Roger was so kind, gentle, soft spoken, caring and always had time to help anyone out. He will be missed by so many. Prayers for his family. Rest in peace my friend. Lisa Lancaster

**Lisa Lancaster** - October 06 at 10:42 AM



“ No matter what was going on, you always made time for me from the very first day that I was at RCCC You were always willing to help me even with your busy schedule. I cannot believe the patience you always had with me and the grace you always showed me. I am going to miss all of our great " talks " that we shared. David King- RCCC

**David King** - October 06 at 12:07 PM



“ MARY & Family so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you u.

**Linda Messick** - October 06 at 01:08 PM



“ I am so grateful I can say I knew and worked with such a wonderful person and considered him a friend! He will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathies and prayers to his family for your loss.

Rest in Peace my dear friend - Sharon Craig-Paul

**Sharon Paul** - October 07 at 12:39 PM



“ Roger was definitely soft spoken but when he did speak people listened. I enjoyed sharing an office suite with him and his team and loved all the laughter we shared. Roger, I will cherish all of the wonderful memories. Rest easy knowing your legacy at RCCC will live on forever. You will me greatly missed my friend!

Crystal Ryerson- RCCC

**Crystal** - October 07 at 01:59 PM



“ Roger was the kindest, most precious man who genuinely cared about his students and I am so very grateful I had the honor and privelege of working with him while with the State Fire Marshal's Office. I am so saddened by his passing and send much love to his family.

Jessica Lashbrook & Family

**Jessica Lashbrook** - October 10 at 11:35 PM