



## Daniel W. Nichols

November 17, 1942 - April 25, 2026

Daniel W. "Dan" Nichols, 83, of Lorain, died peacefully at his home on Saturday April 25, 2026.

He was born November 17, 1942 in Prairie City, Oregon and had resided in Lorain for 5 ½ years moving from Oklahoma. He had lived in Grants Pass, Oregon most of his life.

Dan served in the US Army National Guard. He began working in the plywood mills in Oregon and later in retail where he traveled extensively visiting retail locations across the United States. Dan also was a pastor for 8 years at Foursquare churches in Oregon. His career came full circle as he retired as a superintendent from the plywood mills.

Dan was a Gentleman Farmer having five acres in Washington state and enjoyed gardening. He enjoyed camping.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years Sharon Nichols, daughter Lori Ortiz (Vier) of Lorain, sons: Jeff Nichols (Melissa) of Boca Raton, Florida and Jeremy Nichols (Steffanie) of Alva, Oklahoma; brother Jerry Sullivan, grandchildren: Zachary Hammond, Devin Nichols, Alessandra Nichols, Meah Ortiz, Naomi Nichols, Joshua Nichols, Taylor Nichols, Vier Ortiz, Jorgia Nichols, Ruby Nichols & Matthew Nichols; great grandchildren James Hamlin,

Savannah Nichols, Haisley Hamlin and Jasper Nichols. He was preceded in death by his father Webster Nichols, mother Esther Dietz (nee Isaac) and brother Larry Sullivan

The family will receive friends Tuesday May 5, 2026 from 5:00-7:00 pm at the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel, 3224 Broadway, Lorain, Ohio. Funeral services will be held Wednesday May 6, 2026 at 11:00 am in the funeral home. Reverend Beverly Biedelman will officiate. Burial will follow at Ridge Hill Memorial Park in Amherst Township where AMVETS #32 of Elyria will conduct military honors.

# Cemetery Details

## Ridge Hill Memorial Park

44805 N Ridge Rd  
Amherst, OH 44001  
<https://ridgehillmp.org/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel  
3224 Broadway  
Lorain, OH 44055  
(440) 246-2118  
[gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com](mailto:gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com)  
<http://www.gluvnashimohromada.com>

## Funeral Service

MAY 6. 11:00 AM - 11:40 AM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel  
3224 Broadway  
Lorain, OH 44055  
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# Tribute Wall

SS

“ Scott “Shu” Shaver purchased the Gracious Laver Basket for the family of Daniel W. Nichols.



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Scott “Shu” Shaver - May 05 at 12:47 PM

SS

“ Scott “Shu” Shaver planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel W. Nichols.

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Scott “Shu” Shaver - May 05 at 12:47 PM

TJ

“ The Don & Diana Jones purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Daniel W. Nichols.



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The Don & Diana Jones - May 05 at 01:24 AM

JB

“ Jacquiline Boozer purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Daniel W. Nichols.



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Jacquiline Boozer - May 04 at 07:17 PM

JB

“ *Jacqueline Boozer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel W. Nichols.*

Jacqueline Boozer - May 04 at 07:17 PM

DC

“ *David and Diane Coffey purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Daniel W. Nichols.*



David and Diane Coffey - May 04 at 10:21 AM

DC

“ *David and Diane Coffey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel W. Nichols.*

David and Diane Coffey - May 04 at 10:21 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Daniel W. Nichols.*



May 03 at 11:16 PM

CS

“ *Carolyn S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Daniel W. Nichols.*

Carolyn S. - May 03 at 10:44 AM

RK

“ I first met Dan in 1972 and he, Sharon, and their kids were definitely like family to ours over the years. In fact Dan was a partner in our family business back in the late 90’s. We loved Dan very much and I knew him as a friend with great compassion, integrity, and faith. It seems that Jesus was mentioned in every conversation that we had, whether face to face or during a phone call. I admired Dan and how bold he was for Jesus. Dan also had a wonderful and mischievous sense of humor, and was quite competitive. There was a time, while our families all lived in the Seattle area, when Dan and I would meet at one of the local high schools to run laps around the track field. Just a leisurely run at a fairly brisk pace. We’d talk about all kinds of things during our workout, mostly discussed family, the kids, politics, and things happening at work. One of us would always say “okay let’s do one more lap” to finish our run. On more than one occasion on that last lap, about 30 yards from the finish line, Dan would say something like “did you see that rabbit that we just passed under the grandstands?” During that split second when I turned around to look for the rabbit, Dan would take off at a full sprint just so he could beat me to the finish line. Then for the next week he would brag about beating me at a foot race.

*Dan was a very special person. A man who encouraged and touched so many people in such a positive and life-changing way. He will be forever loved by so many including me and my family.*

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**Rick Kenaston** - May 02 at 10:28 AM

LE

“ I remember Dan as a precious man always smiling. There was rejoicing in heaven when Dan met Jesus

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**leola** - May 02 at 10:04 AM