



William "Bill" Lamar Daniel

December 22, 1949 - August 17, 2025

William "Bill" Lamar Daniel, 75, passed away peacefully on August 17th, 2025, at The Landing of Winder, GA. Born and raised in Atlanta's West End neighborhood, Bill later lived in Conyers before settling in Madison, GA in 2005. He was a 1967 graduate of Brown High School and earned his bachelor's degree from Georgia State University in 1971, followed by an executive MBA from Stanford University.

He retired in 2019 after a distinguished career as a trusted leader and mentor in Georgia's banking community. Over the years, Bill served as a division president of United Community Bank (following its acquisition of Liberty National where he was a founding director and CEO); senior vice president of Bank South; division president at Peoples Bank in Conyers; president and CEO of Planters First Bank; and president of the Rockdale County Chamber of Commerce.

Bill was the youngest child of George and Louise Daniel of Atlanta. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Dorothy Gray of Ozark, AR, and brother James Daniel of Rockmart. He is survived by his wife of 29 plus years, Pamela Daniel of Madison, GA, son Chase Bagwell and his wife Ashlee of Social Circle, GA, daughter Lauren Bagwell of Covington, GA, three grandchildren Andee, Avere and Emmi, sister Linda Causey of Blue Ridge, GA and her daughter Carolyn Mueller of Cornelia, GA and a wide circle of

nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Known for his leadership, loyalty, and "impeccable manners", Bill also enjoyed life's simple pleasures. He loved golfing and attending the Masters, listening to the Beatles, traveling to Italy and Spain, and exploring the American West including the Grand Canyon and Yosemite. At home, he took pride in a perfectly kept lawn, never turned down a chocolate bar or a Varsity chili dog, and cherished time with his family and friends. A memorial service to celebrate Bill's life will be held on Saturday August 23, 2025, at Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel with Pastor Joe Hughes officiating. The family will receive friends Saturday August 23, 2025, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Abbey Hospice in Social Circle, GA at <https://www.abbeyhospice.com/abbey-hospice-foundation> or your local Boys and Girls Club. Condolences may be submitted online at www.scotward.com <<http://www.scotward.com/>>. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Road, Conyers, GA 30012, 770-483-7216.

Previous Events

Gathering

AUG **23**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services
699 American Legion Rd.
Conyers, GA 30012
(770) 483-7216
<https://scotward.com/>

Memorial

AUG **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



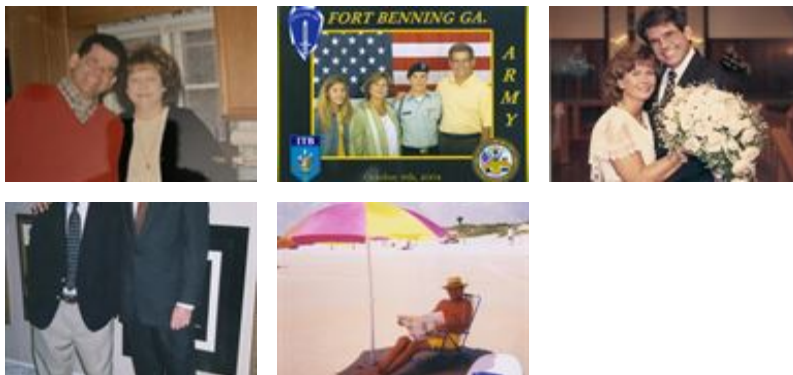
“ *Scot Ward Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of William "Bill" Lamar Daniel*



Scot Ward Funeral Services - August 23, 2025 at 02:05 PM



“ *36 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Scot Ward Funeral Services - August 22, 2025 at 10:35 AM

AL

“ *Bill was an exceptional banker and forward thinking community leader. Bill always had a smile and a kind word to share. He will be missed.*

Alan P. Long - August 22, 2025 at 10:14 AM

MD

“ Bill was always pleasant and a man of integrity! I had the pleasure of being his hairdresser/friend for a long time! If he ever had to miss out on an appointment, on his next appointment, He would pay me for his missed appointment. Not that this happened habitually. But when it did, there was no talking him out of it! He taught me a lot, with this story being one of many examples! My heart breaks today as I heard the news as i considered him a friend. Though I moved away , I often thought about him , especially when passing a United Community Bank! My sincere condolences to His family and friends!

Michelle Dupree - August 20, 2025 at 10:06 PM

MS

Bill was a great friend and a great asset to Rockdale County. So sad!

Mike Sullivan - August 22, 2025 at 08:38 PM

LP

“ Knew Bill from Brown High School as well as Bank South. Always a gentleman, always a smile. May the love of Christ Jesus and His many bright blessings be with his family in this time of great sorrow.



Lynda Godbee Plampin - August 20, 2025 at 04:58 PM

BL

“ Beth LeSesne purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of William "Bill" Lamar Daniel.



Beth LeSesne - August 19, 2025 at 07:34 PM

KZ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Katy Zahradnik - August 19, 2025 at 05:10 PM

KZ

One of the best to serve as Chairman of the Chamber Board! We so appreciate his leadership!

Katy Zahradnik - August 19, 2025 at 05:11 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Lamar Daniel.



August 19, 2025 at 01:11 PM

LC

“ Bill, you were a saint. We will miss you terribly! Love you, Lyn

Lyn Clinton - August 18, 2025 at 06:03 PM

BR

“ Bill has been a special friend since the 8 th grade at Brown High. I will miss him dearly. May my forever friend Rest In Peace and may our Lord Jesus send comfort to his friends and family at this sad time.

Brenda Godbee Raptis - August 18, 2025 at 04:09 PM

LC

Bill was such a strong presence in my career with Liberty National Bank, and then United Community Bank. He always said good morning to everybody with the biggest smile. He was always impeccably dressed, and his personality was huge!

He always had great advice, he was just a wonderful man and such a strong leader! We will all miss him so much!

Lynn Colquitt - August 18, 2025 at 10:13 PM

PM

Bill and I worked together at the old C&S Bank in Atlanta. We became fast friends and that friendship has lasted us for life. I am sad to see him go and will miss our lunches and phone conversations that were so uplifting to me. What a great guy!

Pat McGoldrick - August 19, 2025 at 03:24 PM

BW

Bill hired me to manage one of his branches when I graduated from Bank South's Management Training program. He later invited me to help start a new community bank in Conyers. I spent a great part of my career working alongside Bill and in addition to learning from one of the best, the friendship we developed over that time was my greatest memory. I take great comfort in knowing he is in a much better place today.

Bill Walker - August 27, 2025 at 07:57 PM