



# Dax Rael Norman

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## **Dax Rael Norman**

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**D**ax Rael Norman, age 55 of Lewes, DE, formerly of Marriottsville, MD, passed away on Sunday, August 20, 2017. He was born Thursday, February 8, 1962 in Takoma Park, MD, son of Gail (Mesa) Norman and the late John Harry Norman.

Dax grew up in Poolesville, MD where he was known as “Chuck” and was an active member in the Boy Scouts of America and Vice President of the Poolesville High School Class of 1980. He enlisted in United States Air Force in 1980 and continued to serve with the DC National Guard Reserve until 1986. He earned his B.S. in Government and Politics in August 1991 from University of Maryland, University College, and his M.S. in Strategic Intelligence from National Intelligence University August 2002.

Dax served for 34 years with the Department of Defense at Ft. Meade Maryland. He most enjoyed his last position as the National Security Agency National Intelligence University Program Director, where he taught graduate courses and mentored students through the completion of their Master’s thesis projects.

Dax's favorite past times included hiking and photography. He was an amazing, kind, and patient person, always putting the needs of others first. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

In addition to his father, Dax was preceded in death by his brother Michael Norman. In addition to his mother, he is survived by his loving wife, Carol Rhodes Norman of Lewes, DE; his daughter, Victoria Norman of Ellendale, DE; his sisters, Valaree Dickerson and her husband Craig of Poolesville, MD and Ayna Norman and her husband Mark Borreson of Packwood, WA; and his brothers, Lane Norman and his wife Mary of Rockville, MD and Jonathan Norman and his wife Melissa of Clarksburg, WV; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of his life will be held on Wednesday Sept 6, 2017 at the Lutheran Church of St. Andrew located at 15300 New Hampshire Ave. Silver Spring, MD 20905. Family will receive



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friends from noon until the time of service at 1:30 pm.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made in Dax's name to Western Upper Montgomery County HELP, INC (WUMCO) ([wumcohelp.org](http://wumcohelp.org)) or So Others May Eat (SOME) 71 O Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001 ([some.org](http://some.org)), an organization he has supported for many years.

Please sign Dax's online guest book located on this site.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS DELIVERED BY 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017 TO LUTHERAN CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, SILVER SPRING, MD.



# Events


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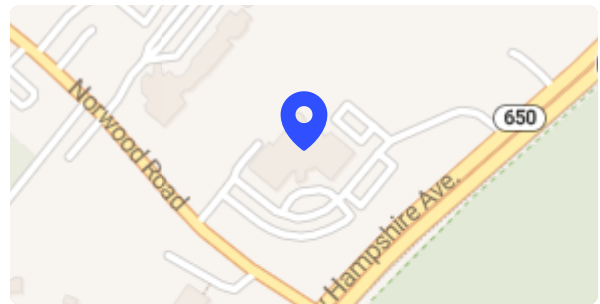
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## Visitation

 **Wednesday**, September 6, 2017

 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM ET


 **Lutheran Church of St. Andrew**  
15300 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring MD  
20905

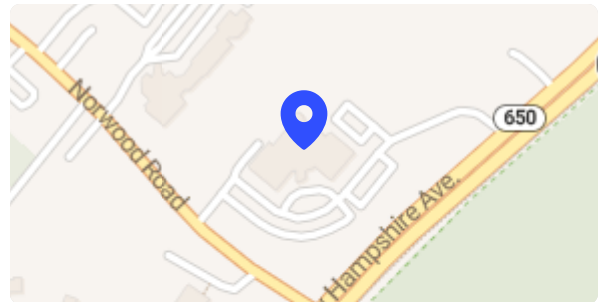


## Celebration of life

 **Wednesday**, September 6, 2017

 1:30 PM ET

 **Lutheran Church of St. Andrew**  
15300 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring MD  
20905





## Tribute Wall

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NB

**N B** posted:

Deepest sympathies for your loss- Dax was a great teammate & still missed.-N B

July 4 at 8:45 AM

VD

**Valaree Norman Dickerson** August 13 at 6:13 PM

Thank you!

WC

**Wanda Childs** lit a candle in honor of Dax.

My deepest condolences to Dax's family. Rest in Heaven, Dax. --Wanda Childs

October 14 at 7:37 PM



TO

**Tommy** February 7 at 2:55 PM

Sad

CA

**C. Alber** posted:

Carol, so sorry to hear of your loss. You and Victoria are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.Chris Albert

October 7 at 6:34 AM

NF

**Nancy Fuller** posted:

When my late cousin the Honorable Judge John Norman passed his son Dax and his lovely wife opened their beautiful home and hearts to me so I could be at Johnny's memorial service. I have never forgotten their love. I will be with my family tomorrow in prayer since I am unable to fly up from Florida due to medical reasons. Hugs and love to everyone, Nancy Fuller

September 6 at 1:24 PM

SS

**Stephanie Sachse** posted:

Dax will be greatly missed. He was quiet, unassuming, hardworking, and passionate about helping people. I am so glad I had the opportunity to work with him. My heartfelt and deepest sympathy goes out to his family and closest friends during this difficult time.

September 6 at 7:31 AM



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**Michaela Szalay** posted:

To the Norman Family, You all have been in my heart and mind - especially this morning. Dax was a kind and wonderful man with a strong spirit. I always enjoyed chatting with him when I saw him at family functions...most recently at Kevin and Morgan's wedding. He was loved and will be missed by so many. Sending much love to each and all of you today and everyday. Michaela Szalay and Family

September 6 at 5:26 AM



**Mark Cleveland** posted:

My profound thanks to Dax for being a strong friend and incredible co-worker. With kindness and humor he helped me learn to be a better instructor and always demonstrated a willingness to lend a hand or offer well-considered advice when needed. Most importantly -- Dax looked out for the students under his charge -- students that he mentored, encouraged, and inspired with both his passion and patience. While he will be greatly missed his enduring legacy will carry on in the lives and memories of the many people he lifted up with caring support over the years. Our thoughts and prayers are with all who knew and loved Dax-- Mark Cleveland and family.

September 5 at 10:57 AM



**Gail Mesa Norman** December 22 at 9:00 AM

Mark. I was deeply touched by your affectionate and accurate description of my son Dax. I had hoped to speak to you after the service but was not able to do that. He was an amazing person and it meant a lot that recognized and shared that. He and I spent many hours over the years discussing everything under the sun and were working on setting up a blog to share those thoughts with a wide audience. He spoke often of you and admired you it seems as much as you admired him. I have finally reached an emotional point to be able to go on with our project, of course with a different perspective without him. It would mean a lot to me if you would find the time to talk to me. It was amazing to hear from you aspects of my son that I never knew. Please call or email me and set up a time we can talk. This will be a heartbreaking Christmas for all our family, but I do find comfort from your feelings and words. I have moved to Dickerson MD. We have celebrated Christmas Eve at my home for 36 years, I have moved this year because I could not bear to celebrate in our Frederick home without him. I wish you and your family the best of everything and a wonderful holiday. All my best Gail, Thank you for everything. Gailmesanorman@gmail.com---301.602.9469---Gail Mesa Norman  
22001 Dickerson Rd, Dickerson MD 20842



**Valaree Norman Dickerson** September 11 at 7:16 PM

Your testimony to the character of my brother was so amazing and heartfelt. I cannot thank you enough for sharing a side of him that so many were unable to share. You helped to shine a light on who he was in his 35 year career. Thank you Mark ❤️🙏🙏🙏



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**Anonymous** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Norman family.



September 4 at 7:38 PM



**Mark Borreson** posted:

I've learned through the years, one of the true measures of a man is what he leaves in his wake, when he passes. Dax has left us with undying love and the respect of many. He has left our world better than he found it. He was a fellow well met, good and true. He was a valued servant to his family and nation. He will be remembered fondly by all who knew him and desperately missed by those who loved him most. If there's a better legacy, I can't imagine it. Goodbye, brother, sweet dreams and God's speed - Mark

September 3 at 12:32 PM



**Jimmy Long** posted:

Ever has it been that love knows not its own depth until the hour of separation. Kahlil Gibran. It was my good fortune to have met such a man. Chuck was what God intended us to be like. jimmy Long

September 2 at 1:40 PM



**With Love, Fran, Charlie, And Amanda** sent a Sweet Sincerity to the Norman family.



August 31 at 10:04 AM



**Your Co-Workers From Te2 And Y5.** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Norman family.



August 31 at 5:09 AM



**Marc Mesa** lit a candle in honor of Dax.



August 31 at 2:54 AM



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**Cheryl Dobbs** lit a candle in honor of Dax.

August 30 at 11:38 AM



**Dottie Hamilton** lit a candle in honor of Dax.

August 30 at 11:35 AM



**Lin Caywood** posted:

My sincerest condolences to Carol, Victoria, and the extended families. So sorry for your loss. Dax will be missed by many but our fond memories of him will shine on.

August 30 at 11:33 AM



**Beacon Hr Team** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Norman family.

August 30 at 4:43 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Basket of Memories to the Norman family.

August 30 at 3:54 AM



**Anonymous** sent a With Distinction to the Norman family.

August 30 at 3:44 AM





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**Roxanne Liebermann** lit a candle in honor of Dax.



August 29 at 8:20 AM

**RL** **Roxanne Liebermann** August 29 at 8:21 AM  
My Deepest sympathy for Carol & her daughter.



**Lane Norman And Family** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Norman family.



August 28 at 3:37 PM



**Lucinda Lewis** lit a candle in honor of Dax.

Now when David had served God's purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his ancestors and his body decayed. Acts 13:36 NIV The body is only ours to barrow. Our spirit is of the Lord and lives forever. May Gods words give you peace as you continue your life's journey, that you will meet again. I only have fond memories of Dax from our high school years. Hugs to all the family. Lucinda Lewis



August 28 at 11:11 AM



**Dayla** posted:

Dax was always ready to help and gave positive feedback to help mentor me through my masters. I am unable to make it to the funeral but lit a candle for him here at my local church in Athens, Greece. I will remember his kindness and continue to pray for his family. He was an outstanding man.

August 27 at 8:05 PM



**Kate Smith** posted:

Dax was a kind and generous man. He was very attentive to the students in his care and went above and beyond what would be expected in his work. I remember several conversations with him in which he patiently endeavored to help me through my studies. My sincerest sympathies to his family. He will be missed.

August 25 at 3:58 PM



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HC

**Ha Cox** posted:

I grew up with Dax/Chuck. I remember when Dax visited. I was in nuke power school Orlando, Fl. He did Disney and many other things with us and our new born son Christopher. He always had the time to help any one with anything they needed. I know he is missed. He will continue in our memories and in our hearts .Hildred(HA) & A, Marlene Cox

August 25 at 11:34 AM

ME

**Megan** posted:

Dax was always dedicated to the students of NIU. He was a great mentor and always provided guidance no matter how many questions, or how many times he had to answer the same questions over and over again. His patience and expertise was very much appreciated. He will be missed!

August 25 at 10:23 AM

SL

**Shirley Lytwyn** posted:

Dax, we will miss you cousin, hope to see you in heaven. Love Shirley Keyes Lytwyn

August 25 at 9:16 AM

CW

**Cheryl Williams** posted:

Those we love remain with us, for love itself lives on, and cherished memories never fade because a you're gone...Those we love can never be more than a thought apart, for as long as there is a memory, you'll live on in my heart. I love you Dax, my beloved childhood friend. Rest eternally with our Beloved Father. Until we meet again. Always, Cheryl ❤️🥹

August 25 at 9:05 AM

IC

**Ingrid Vanderley Cathell** August 27 at 3:29 AM

Incredible loss. My heart goes out to the family. May God bless you with strength and peace.



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DL

**Dolores O'leary** lit a candle in honor of Dax.



August 24 at 4:13 PM

DL

**Dolores O'leary** August 24 at 4:15 PM

My condolences to Vicky and your whole family 🙏

LC

**Leslie Callahan** lit a candle in honor of Dax.



August 24 at 6:49 AM

IM

**Imane Miranda** posted:

Dax was a very helpful instructor always sending reminders because he knew how frazzled our brains were going through the masters program... I always welcomed his spam because I usually had already misplaced important documents he may have sent before. His name put a smile on my face because he genuinely cared. Rest In Peace Dax! Imane M.

August 23 at 10:18 PM

CB

**Charlie Barr** sent a Pink Potpourri Bouquet to the Norman family.



August 23 at 1:18 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dax by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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