



John Daniel Hinton

July 13, 1930 - January 14, 2022

Hinton, John Daniel, of Ballwin, Missouri, was born July 13, 1930 in Rocky Mount, North Carolina to Moody and Laura Ann (nee Wall) Hinton. He was a proud veteran of the Coast Guard serving on the air and sea rescue team. He attended North Carolina State University earning a degree in mechanical engineering. He continued on to become a professionally registered engineer working for several companies before retiring from Monsanto. After retirement he enjoyed traveling with his wife Jean in their motorhome and spending time with his family. He entered into rest Friday, January 14, 2022 in Ballwin, Missouri at the age of 91 years, 6 months, and 1 day.

He is preceded in death by his parents,

two (2) siblings, the late Jackie Smith and the late Dwight Hinton

one (1) son-in-law, Rich Finch

He is survived by the love of his life and wife of 67-year, Jean (nee Tetterton) Hinton

two (2) children, Kimberly Dawn Hinton (Jon) Newsome and Jean Lynette Hinton Finch

three (3) grandchildren, Daniel Lynn Zimmerman, Shay (Matt) Lafary, and Erin Berger

five (5) great grandchildren, Will Newell, Anna Cox, Madeline Lafary, Jack Lafary, and Raiden Wagner, along with numerous extended family and friends.

He will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made to a charity of your choice. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Daniel Hinton*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Dan was a sweetheart all the years I knew him. He and Jean always showed kindness to me and my brothers when we were kids! Much love from the Vanderpool family in Missouri, Texas, and Alabama.*

Sue Vanderpool Clem - January 19, 2022 at 08:53 PM

JH

“ *Dan & Jean*

My best memories are of Dan and Jean when they drove the motorhome from St. Louis to Williamsburg where the siblings all convened. We spent many hours together helping Jackie decorate for Christmas, always according to Williamsburg's strict rules.

We cut tiny sprigs of boxwoods to insert into a frame made by Uncle Frank. A beautiful green goose emerged from the process. A pair of these geese each had cranberries for eyes and flanked each side of Jackie's front door on a main Williamsburg thorough fare. She always won the blue ribbon.

Those were special shared memories of time spent together with siblings Dan, Jackie, and Dwight.

Dan's generosity was shown early as Dan bought Dwight his first bicycle, which Dwight reportedly drove, an odometer verified, 100 miles the first day. A picture of which is attached.

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Judi Hinton - January 18, 2022 at 05:22 PM



Judi thank you for sharing such a lovely memory ❤️

Shay Zimmerman- Lafary - January 18, 2022 at 05:32 PM

DJ

“ Dan Hinton

My memories of Uncle Dan began with stories told by my Dad to me. To Dad, Uncle Dan was larger than life, and as my Dad was larger than life to me it only made sense as a logical progression.

My favorite story was about Uncle Dan's 1972 Gulf Orange Porsche 911S complete with a placard on the dashboard "custom made for Dan Hinton by Porsche AG". As the story goes, Uncle Dan was the engineer on a large project and the client was so pleased that they gave him this car as a token of appreciation for his hard work and dedication to the project.

The car was kept in the garage jacked up on stands to prevent flat spotting on the tires from sitting for extended periods. Occasionally, he would take the car out for a spin and on one occasion he took Grandmother (Laura Wall Hinton) for a ride and while driving past the Highway Patrol Station he put his head out the window and laughing yelled "catch me if you can I am the gingerbread man". I have to believe that all of this was for Grandmother's benefit as he had a great respect for law enforcement as Granddaddy Hinton was a Policeman and my dad was a Highway Patrolman. He would then drive home, park the car in the garage, jack it up and remove the wheels, and wipe the brake dust from the rotors and calipers, and then cover up the car and close the garage. As president of the local chapter of the Porsche Club of America, he set a standard for others to follow.

After years of hearing stories about this infamous car, Uncle Dan finally drove the car from St. Lois to Raleigh and I was able to see it for the first time. It was iconic! The orange paint was immaculate offset by the anodized aluminum five spoked wheels and low profiled tires (yes by today's standards they were more like bicycle tires). The engine screamed through the rev line as he took each person for a drive up the street. Finally it was my turn to ride. He handed the keys to my Dad and said here Dwight, you take him for

a ride. While the ride was conflicted (Dad never got over 2000 rpm's or 35 miles per hour) it was an incredibly visceral experience that I never forgot and the dream was implanted in my head that someday I would have such a car (little did I know). Shortly thereafter I proceeded to buy and assemble a plastic model (the current model being a Yellow 1974 911 Carrera) which I have to this very day.

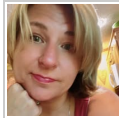
Attached is a picture of Uncle Dan's first Porsche a 1957 356

Sincerely

Dwight Moody Hinton Jr.



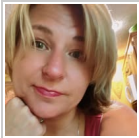
dwight moody hinton jr - January 18, 2022 at 10:02 AM



Dwight, what a wonderful memory! Thank you so much for sharing it!



Shay Zimmerman- Lafary - January 18, 2022 at 12:41 PM



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