



## Dagan John Hampton

December 22, 1977 - December 3, 2022

Dagan John Hampton, 44, died at 11:02 a.m. Saturday, December 3, 2022, at his home in Elsah, IL. Born December 22, 1977, in Alton, IL, he was the son of John Frederick and Janet Sue (Poe) Hampton of Grafton, IL. Along with his parents, he is survived by a son, Colton John Hampton and co-parent, Amy Lewis of Crestwood, MO, a brother, Greg Hampton (Tarah) of Godfrey, and a sister, Lisa Viviano (Tim) of Godfrey. In addition, he is survived by four nieces, Lylah, Amelia, Maria, and Eliana and one nephew, Leo, and many close friends.

Dagan was a 1996 graduate of Jersey Community High School in Jerseyville, IL and received his associates degree from Lewis and Clark Community College in 1998. Dagan was the owner and operator of Hampton Appraisals and took much pride in his work.

In addition, Dagan was an avid outdoorsman enjoying hunting and fishing and he was a teacher by nature. He took pride in sharing all of what he learned on “the mountain” to everyone he crossed paths with, but especially Colton. The names of the trees, the migration patterns of the birds, the behaviors of the deer and other wildlife. He loved sharing what his father taught him with his son and nieces and nephew. He was most at peace in nature and his son finds the same solace there. “Watching the woods come alive” was one of their favorite pastimes.

Dagan was one of kind: head-strong, determined, and driven as well as kind, giving, and always up for a good laugh. He lived a life that was not short of wild adventures (some of which can only be shared among his closest of friends, many of those who partook in those adventures with him). He will be remembered as a strong and loving son, brother, and friend who loved nothing more than his son.

People often wonder "what can we do" when somebody passes. The best way to honor Dagan would be to live life to the fullest, hug your children and loved ones a little tighter, dance when your favorite tune comes on, and don't forget to catch a Miami Dolphins every once in a while! Find your place in nature where everything is calm and peaceful and enjoy every moment.

A memorial visitation will be from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Monday, December 12, 2022, at Gent Funeral Home 2406 State Street in Alton, IL. You are encouraged to wear a mask during the visitation.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to an education fund for his son, Colton. Additional details about the fund will be available by the time of the memorial visitation. Online guestbook and information may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **12**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home Inc  
2409 State Street  
Alton, IL 62002  
(618) 466-5544  
<https://www.gentfuneralhome.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dagan John Hampton*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Dagan John Hampton*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *I hadn't seen Dagan in a long time, but whenever I ran into him, we always picked up where we left off - joking and laughing. He was just that kind of person: friendly, fun, and so personable. I knew him way back when we played sand volleyball together on Thursday nights. He will be greatly missed.*

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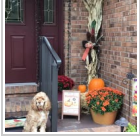
**Ellen Joyce** - December 12, 2022 at 03:39 PM



“ *I met Dagan while taking a few classes at LCCC. He knew no strangers and we were fast friends. We had a blast waiting tables at the Alton Ponderosa too. He knew how to have a good time and get things done at the same time. Hadn't seen him for many years, sad to see him gone so young. But, I cherish the memories.*

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**Joshua Schuette** - December 10, 2022 at 10:42 PM



“ *Worked with Dagan through my job in a bank mortgage department. He was a wonderful appraiser and always tried to do whatever he could to help us out, no matter how busy he was. Most of the time, our interactions were via e-Mail and phone calls, but we always looked forward to those rare visits from him. His love for his son was always evident and I hope his son will continue to embrace what Dagan taught him about nature. Prayers to all of his family and friends.*

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**Cathy Gray** - December 07, 2022 at 11:50 AM



“ *I remember Dagen from many years ago, he worked at Melville Dairy. He ALWAYS had a smile, was kind and polite to everyone! Our deepest condolences to his family and friends 🙏🙏🙏*

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**Cindy Korte** - December 07, 2022 at 07:01 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Dagan John Hampton.*



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December 06, 2022 at 10:00 PM

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“Dagan's smile lit up a room. He was always quick with a joke, and I don't think I ever spent any amount of time with him where I didn't leave with a smile on my face. He was kind and always thoughtful. Even at a busy party, he'd be sure to sincerely check in with you to ask how you and your loved ones were doing. He was loving and had the biggest heart. This world is less without him in it. Sending love to his son, his family, and his friends. His presence will always be missed.

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Tara Tinnin - December 06, 2022 at 07:08 PM