



Mr. David L. Pravia

September 18, 1961 - April 29, 2025

David Lawrence Pravia, 63, of Pittsfield, MA, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, after a courageous six-year battle with cancer. A proud veteran of the United States Marine Corps, he served as a Rifleman and earned a Rifle Sharpshooter Badge. His strength, resilience, and unshakable spirit inspired all who knew him.

Born in Pittsfield, MA, Dave was the proud father of his two sons, David “DJ” Pravia (Alicia) and Daniel “Dan” Pravia (Lauren). He cherished his four grandchildren, Peyton, Ava, Aliya, and Aidan, who brought him endless joy. Dave was predeceased by his parents, Carolyn (LeBlanc) Pravia and Joseph Pravia. He leaves behind his sister, Cynthia Blunk of Ohio, and his long-term significant other, Janene Lawrence, with whom he shared many cherished years.

Dave was a pillar of love and laughter, known for his infectious laugh, signature phrase, “I’m dialed in,” and his infamous “Pravia shit-eatin’ grin” that could light up any room. His warmth and humor made him a beacon of joy, always reminding those around him to stay optimistic.

Throughout his career, Dave excelled as a heavy machine operator, mastering every piece of equipment with the confidence that defined him. He worked tirelessly in various laborious roles, including positions with the water

department, construction companies, and the Berkshire Eagle, earning respect for his skill and work ethic.

A passionate Washington Redskins fan, Dave never missed a game, often cheering with a cold beer in hand.

Dave's humor, warmth, and ability to make everyone smile left an indelible mark wherever he went. His legacy of courage and joy will live on in the hearts of those he loved.

Funeral Notice:

Calling hours where all family and friends are invited to honor Dave's memory will be Thursday, May 8, 2025, from 4pm to 6pm at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201. A celebration of life will follow for close family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations in Dave's memory be made directly to his son, Daniel Pravia, all of which will be used at his discretion for either funeral costs, or for a charity chosen.

Semper Fi, Dave. You're forever dialed in.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
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Pittsfield, MA 01201
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Tribute Wall



“ 95 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - May 08, 2025 at 01:17 PM

MS

“ Our deepest condolences on the loss of your Dad. We pray that you all find comfort in the love he gave and many special memories shared.

Mike Strzepa - May 05, 2025 at 05:48 AM

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“ Brenda believeau planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. David L. Pravia.

Brenda believeau - May 03, 2025 at 08:47 AM

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“ *Brenda beliveau purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mr. David L. Pravia.*



Brenda beliveau - May 03, 2025 at 08:47 AM

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“ *You will never be forgotten. I will always remember that shit eaten grin, and that laugh! You're the closet thing I've ever had to a father. I thank you for being tough on me, teaching me so much, and always being there. I love you forever, and a day! You were truly amazing, people will be telling stories of you for many years to come. Rest easy*♥

Tosha Watkins - May 02, 2025 at 07:09 PM

EE

“ *Please accept our condolences on your loss of Dave. A life long friend going back many years! Great memories of Dave and family, playing neighborhood baseball, football, basketball even a fight here and there! In the end it was all good, all part of growing up! Love you !R.I.P Ed Elias*

Edward Elias - May 02, 2025 at 02:42 PM