

Friends In Need

F O U N D A T I O N

January 19, 2008

Dear Friends,

The family of our dear friend and fallen confidante; Senior Special Agent (U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and Alumni of Southeast Louisiana University, Daniel McSwain, needs our help.

On February 12, 2008, Daniel was diagnosed with High grade spindle cell sarcoma, a rare form of fatty tissue cancer. At the time of his diagnosis, doctors only gave him 6 months to live. He began treatment immediately at East Jefferson hospital for a week until he could secure entrance to M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. Daniel's treatment involved both oral and intravenous chemotherapy drugs for over 3 weeks, which involved travel, lodging, and doctor's expenses.

Due to the side effects of the chemotherapy, Daniel suffered multiple organ failure. He lost his battle with cancer on August 12, 2008, at 3:05 a.m. Daniel was 48 years old. He is survived by his wife, Patti, and his three daughters: Denisse (14), Mia Camille (2), and his youngest daughter, Rebecca, who was born just one week after his death.

We are holding a benefit and fundraiser to help Daniels' family pay their high medical bills, and set up trusts for his daughters' educations. **This benefit will be on Sunday, March 1st, 2009 from 1:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. at Southport Hall at 291 Monticello Avenue, Jefferson, LA 70121** (Entertainment: ORLEANS Band will start around 2:00 pm). Tickets for the event are \$100 a couple; we will provide food and an open bar will be available. Parking is free on the premises.

We are in need of donations of food, alcohol, auction items, and printing services for the benefit. We are offering corporate and individual sponsorship levels: \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,000 and \$500, please inquire for details. The Friends in Need Foundation is a tax exempt 501-C-3 organization – our tax ID number is 72-1387553.

For additional information or to make a donation please visit the Friends in need website www.friendinneed.org or contact Mr. Phil Ferro (504) 310-8850, Gertrude Biondo (504) 319-8518, Judy Vincent (504) 310-8995 or Tim Subervielle (504) 310-8831. Tickets or sponsorships for the benefit can be also purchased at www.friendinneed.org using PayPal or by sending a check by mail to P.O. Box 56475, Metairie, LA 70055 (make checks payable to Friends In Need, and indicate in the memo: Daniel McSwain).

Thank you for your support,
Friends of Daniel McSwain Family
www.friendinneed.org
www.caringbridge.com (type in DanielMcSwain for more information)

