## **Danny's Story**

Daniel M. Shore was born May 1, 1980 at 3:13pm. He was our blessing from God. From his birth until the 5th grade, he was a wonderful loving child. In the 5th grade, a family member starting touching him inappropriately. I could see some changes in him and he told us what happened. We handled this and made sure he was never around this person again.

Daniel was very close to his Grandpa Ralph. He was really like a father to Daniel. Ralph passed away the winter of Daniel's 6th grade.

Daniel did struggle in school; they found him to be dyslexic. But he was hard working and always tried.

He entered the Boy Scouts and he felt like he finally fit in. He loved going camping, doing the projects, or so we thought. The Scoutmaster, Scott Bradshaw, groomed Danny and the abuse started. From our understanding, he abused him daily. Danny's personality gradually changed. Scott was always close by and as the years passed, he had complete control over him. Scott drugged him and gave him alcohol. He made him carry a pager so he could contact him and locate him at any time.

The abuse came to light when Daniel's father walked in on Scott abusing Daniel in our home.

For 10 years Danny didn't want to talk about it, and he was drinking a lot. He was employed and was always looking to help others.

Finally, he wrote a letter to us detailing his abuse and retained a lawyer to represent his claims against Scott. They put together a case but lost the first time due to the Statute of Limitations. After this loss, Daniel attempted suicide. The next trial went before the Missouri Supreme Court and he lost again due to the Statute of Limitations. Two days later Danny attempted suicide again. On February 27, 2016 the attorney took a different direction and had Danny tell his story before a judge. In less than 24 hours the judge came back with a civil suit in Danny's favor.

Everything dragged on because of the scouts and on November 15, 2017, Danny took his life. The pain was too unbearable.

Life was hard on his family, especially his Mother, because Danny had suffered for much in his shortened life. We are only reassured in the promise that he suffers no more.

The Boy Scouts are just as responsible as Scott Bradshaw for his death, for the abuse he endured and they should be held responsible.

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