Daniel Leroy Grogan, age 84, of Frisco, Texas, passed away Wednesday, January 2, 2019. He was born June 23, 1934, in Dickinson, North Dakota, to Amy (Gilbertson) and Edward Grogan. Dan married the love of his life, Joyce Schroder, on December 22, 1962, in Sacramento, California.

Dan graduated from Clover Park High School in Tacoma, Washington, where he was a multi-sport athlete and a nationally ranked miler. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Washington. He also held a Master’s degree in Educational Administration from The University of Southern California. He had a successful, 30 year, career in the United States Air Force and retired as a Colonel in 1988. During his retirement years, Dan loved playing golf, traveling and spending time with his friends and family.

Dan is survived by his beloved wife, Joyce Grogan; his daughters, Tara Bland and her husband, Kevin, of Frisco, Texas, and Lisa Grogan of Salt Lake City, Utah; his grandchildren, Mackenzie Bland and Ian Bland; his sister, Elaine Krey of Colorado Springs, Colorado; his brothers, Earle Grogan and Merle Grogan, both of Sequim, Washington and Charlie Grogan of Silverton, Oregon; as well as many beloved nieces, nephews, and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Manley Grogan, Wesley Grogan, Patrick Grogan, Phyllis Ruggiero, Duane Grogan, Edward Grogan, Jimmy Grogan, Shirleen Seeton and Ellen West.

A celebration of Dan’s life will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2019, in the Ballroom at Watermere Frisco, 4220 Cotton Gin Road, Frisco, Texas, at 3:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson’s Research: www.michaeljfox.org/
Dear Joyce, sorry to hear about Dan, he was a real go getter. I tried to keep up with him in the mile, but he was faster than I was, so I went to cross country, where I knew I could win. I miss Dan and all the guys I knew, like Les Johnson, Del Brown, Tom Lawrence, Sam Gange, all so many more. Rest in peace, Dan. Joyce, many blessings to you and your family.

DICK BOTTCHER. TACOMA WA. 98467, JANUARY 19, 2019

I first knew Dan in Jr. High school while living at Fort Lewis. He was always a hero of mine because of all his many accomplishments. REA

RALPH ALEXANDER, JANUARY 12, 2019

Dan was one of my favorites at Clover Park. He did have a distinguished life. Love to his family, Margery thorgrimson

MARGERY CARLSTROM THORGRIMSON, JANUARY 12, 2019

Joyce and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time. We will forever cherish our friendship with Dan with fond memories. May our good and gracious God bless and comfort you.

JO AND HAROLD COVIN, JANUARY 9, 2019

Tara, thinking of you with deepest sympathy and wishing you peace.

JUDY BRIGHT, JANUARY 8, 2019

We are so saddened. Dan was an absolute sweetheart and we count our blessings to have known him. We cherish the memories of our CE and 7 AMen activities. We love and miss you, Joyce. May you be comforted by the Body of Christ.

DAN AND GWEN MITCHELL, JANUARY 5, 2019

Soo sorry to hear of, as I knew him, Mr. Grogan’s passing!! Two of my favorite memories were Prom, 1983 and Tara, your graduation swim in May, 1983! I still remember both days vividly and how much fun we all had! ALWAYS keep the memories alive! We WILL see them again in a wonderful place!! My heart and thoughts are with you!

DEBBIE WARD ARNOLD, JANUARY 5, 2019

Dan passed away January 2, 2019. I will miss him so much. He was a
wonderful husband. How lucky I was to be his wife. Wish it could have been longer. He was my rock.

JOYCE GROGAN, JANUARY 5, 2019

My lovely Uncle Dan. He was a Great Uncle...Thank you...He flew with new wings and went up and joined Jesus and our folks there...I love you very much. xoxo

DEBORAH DUNLAP AUKETT, JANUARY 4, 2019

You were one of a kind Dan! You and Joyce lived a lovely, fun, meaningful life. I will see you again!!

KAREN SMITH, JANUARY 4, 2019

My condolences to Joyce and your beautiful family. May Dan Rest In Peace with the angels and saints in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. Praying for comfort and peace.

MARTY BROWN, JANUARY 4, 2019