Daniel Morton DuPree was born in Coral Gables, Florida in 1946. He graduated in 1965 from the University of Florida with a degree in Business Administration.

In 1970, he entered the U.S. Army as a 2nd Lieutenant. He was honorably discharged in 1972 as a first lieutenant after being stationed in Virginia and Georgia.

After a two-year stint selling computers for Litton Industries, DuPree joined Caldwell Bankers (now CBRE) and changed career direction to Real Estate. In 1975, he moved on to Post Properties where his focus was retail development and leasing. He stayed on this path for much of the next 35 years, ultimately founding his own firm, New Market Development Company in 1983. New Market became a recognized national leader in the development of “Big Box” retail centers and by 1990, was the largest developer of non-enclosed retail centers in the U.S. and top developer of stores for such retail giants as Home Depot, Circuit City, Toys R Us, Marshalls, T.J. Maxx, Steinmart and Service Merchandise.

In 1992, DuPree sold New Market to Tom Cousins and became President of the Retail division of Cousins Properties. In 1995, he became President and Chief Operating Officer of the parent company – a position he held (except for a brief interlude to attempt retirement) until he left Cousins in 2009 to join the Reynolds Companies as President and Chief Executive Officer. Over his professional career, he has overseen the development of over 10 million square feet of Commercial Real Estate in 14 states plus the District of Columbia.

DuPree has also been active in the community and has been involved in a number of civic and service efforts. Between 1990 and 2000, he served on the Alexander Tharpe Fund Board (Georgia Tech), the Emory Board of Visitors, the Cystic Fibrosis Board (Vice President) the University of Florida College of Business Administration Advisory Board, and the Atlanta Community Food Bank Board of Directors (Chairman of Capital Campaign and Building Committee). Since 2000 he has been involved with the Metropolitan Atlanta Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors (Transportation Committee (Chair) and Executive Board), the Midtown Alliance Board of Directors (Chairman), the Lovett School Board of Directors (now Emeritus), the Piedmont Park Conservancy Board of Directors, Concord Soccer Club Board of Directors, Breakthrough Atlanta Board of Directors and the Wake Forest University Calloway School of Business Advisory Board.

Next to being Father to Boone (22) and Caitlin (26), and husband to Cheryl (married in 1971), DuPree’s greatest joy has been being “coach” to 11 & 12 year olds at Buckhead Baseball for the past 16 years.