



William "Bill" C. Nicholas

October 16, 1932 - April 21, 2023

William Campbell Nicholas, Sr., was born on October 16, 1932, in Orlando, Florida to

Joseph Julian and Minnie Ola Nicholas. He was the sixth of eight children.

"Billy" grew

up on Buckeye Street with his five brothers - Joe, Francis, John, Dan

("Beezer"), Walter,

and two sisters – Lorena and Willie Sue.

He graduated from Winter Park High School in 1952 and attended Orlando Junior

College. He entered active-duty service in the United States Navy on

December 7,

1955, serving on the USS Barton (DD 722). The Navy honorably released him

on

November 30, 1957.

In December of 1957 he met the love of his life, Martha Marie Davis Nicholas.

They

married on August 29, 1958 – the same date as his father's birthday. He

worked in

numerous positions as an employee of Hammond Electronics. Later, he would

work for

Martin Marietta and Taylor Rentals. He retired from employment in 1992. However, he never retired from Christian service. A long-time member of Woodhaven Baptist Church, he would lead worship music and served as a deacon under several pastors. He was a gifted singer. He sang in church choirs and especially with Martha. He played the piano, the guitar, the harmonica, and the saw. He loved building and repairing electronics, wood carving, and home remodeling. He was a humble man of prayer and lifelong student of the Bible. He loved his family and church dearly and adored his grandchildren.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Ola Nicholas, brother Joe (Mary Jane), sister Lorena, brothers Francis (Birnell), John (Jane), Dan, sister Willie Sue (Melvin) and daughter-in-law Patricia Lea Crawford Nicholas. He is survived by his wife Martha, his youngest brother Walter (Ruth), his son William "Chip" Nicholas, daughter Tamra "Tammy" Nicholas, granddaughter Julia, grandson Scott, and many nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **29**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Woodhaven Baptist Church
3035 36st St
Orlando, FL 32839

Funeral

APR **29**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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With Military Honors

Tribute Wall

RW

“ Martha, I'm so sorry to hear about Bill. Just found out today. I always remember the time when I fell asleep in church when I was a youngster and Bill picked me up and carried me out after church. May the Lord wrap his loving arms around you and your family and bring you comfort.

Robin Wilson - May 03, 2023 at 10:18 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of William "Bill" C. Nicholas.



April 28, 2023 at 03:32 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William "Bill" C. Nicholas.



April 28, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William "Bill" C. Nicholas.



April 27, 2023 at 08:47 PM

JH

“ Martha, Chip, Tammy,
You all are in my Prayers during this difficult time. We have many
fond memories of our friendship both in and out of Woodhaven
Baptist church. I love you all and our promise from God that we , as
children of God, will see “Mr. Bill “ again is our comfort.
God bless❤️

Judy Hutsell - April 27, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of William "Bill" C. Nicholas.



April 27, 2023 at 12:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of William "Bill" C. Nicholas.



April 27, 2023 at 09:23 AM



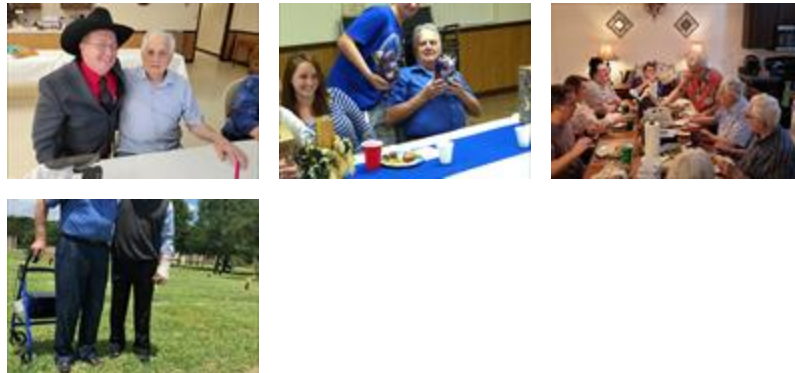
“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the
family of William "Bill" C. Nicholas.



April 26, 2023 at 06:55 PM

WN

“ 4 files added to the album *CHIPs PHOTOS OF DAD*



WILLIAM NICHOLAS - April 26, 2023 at 12:32 AM

AN

“ Dear Martha, Chip, and Tammy, we have so many memories of Bill, his kind spirit, his musical talents, his love for his family and his God. So many good memories of worshipping together at Woodhaven. We pray the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, knowing that “when we all get to Heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!” Love, Mary, Angie and Chris



Angie - April 25, 2023 at 09:25 PM

PD

Dear Aunt Mart. Wanted to let you know while Uncle Bills away life will be quite different. You have this. Between you and our Lord and your family a new path has started, one that you will find to be bitter sweet but hopefully enjoyable. I love you all and will see you on Saturday

Pam Dukes - April 27, 2023 at 09:14 AM



“ I am so incredibly sorry for your loss. Please know I have you and your family in my prayers during this painful time. As your work family, I am here for you.
 With deepest condolences,
 Magdalena Padilla

 magdalena Padilla - April 25, 2023 at 03:57 PM



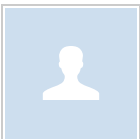
“ I have many previous memories of joining with Bill and other brothers and sisters at Woodhaven with my dear wife Brenda 🙏

 Laurence Sandman - April 25, 2023 at 02:49 PM



“ Tammy, on behalf of our entire Florida Department of Health team, please accept our deepest sympathies. You and your family will be in our hearts.

 Florida Department of Health - April 25, 2023 at 10:11 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of William "Bill" C. Nicholas.



 April 24, 2023 at 10:04 PM

MN

“To be absent from the body, is to be present with the Lord.”

*My "Dearest Husband". How much I miss you....but, I will be fine with the help of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and our children, Chip and Tammy and our grandchildren Julia and Scott. Thank you for our 64+ years together. You were a role model for our children and the Christian leader of our family. I will always be thankful for you, your humbleness, your integrity and your willingness to listen to me rattle-on. Your quiet spirit will remain in my heart for the rest of my life. "I LOVE YOU" and will see you soon.
Love, "Martha"*

Martha marie Nicholas - April 24, 2023 at 07:24 PM

TA

“Dad, missing you already, your smile and your inability to answer any of Mom's multiple-choice questions. Your girl!”



Tamra - April 24, 2023 at 05:07 PM