



# Nicholas Ignatius Paul

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**N**icholas Paul “Chief,” a native of Washington DC and resident of Annapolis, MD, died on January 14, 2023, at the age of 82. His last days were spent with family and friends by his side which is what made him happiest every day of his life.

Born June 20, 1940 to James and Sophia Paul, Nick grew up in Washington DC and attended Woodrow Wilson High School and the University of South Carolina. Upon his father’s death, Nick and his brother Dennis devoted their lives to Paul’s Wholesale Florist Company established by their father in 1937. As an industry enthusiast, Nick served as a past director of The Allied Florist Association of Greater Washington and was a member of the Wholesale Florist and Florist Suppliers of America and the Society of American Florists.

Nick’s love of the water and keen interest in fishing brought him and his wife, June, to Annapolis in 1987. Many good times were shared with family and friends aboard his 1977 Bay built Robbins, Pal O Mine. He was a lifetime member of the DC Ramblers Motorcycle Club, and he was a 32nd degree Mason, a member of St. John’s Lodge No. 11, in Washington DC.

Nick is survived by by his loving wife of 39 years, June, daughters Mary Elizabeth Duke (Andrew) and Catharine Geasling, grandchildren Ann Duke and James Duke, brother Dennis Paul (Georgianna), sister-in-law Ann Schneider (John), and nieces and nephews: Denise, Georgianna Schuetz (Bryan), Nik Apostolides (Melissa), Dennis Paul, Jr. (Coralie), William Gonzales and by other family members whom he loved mightily. Nick was preceded in death by his beloved nephew James D. Paul, II (Christiana). And he’s missed very much by his loyal canines Skippy and Ajax.

Funeral arrangements are private. In remembrance of Nick, please consider a donation to the American Floral Endowment, [www.endowment.org/donate](http://www.endowment.org/donate), where a memorial tribute has been



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established in his name, to Shriner's Hospital for Children at [www.lovetotherescue.org](http://www.lovetotherescue.org), or to Fish for a Cure at [www.fishforacure.org](http://www.fishforacure.org).



## Tribute Wall

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BC

**Barbara Chesney** posted:

Nick had the biggest heart I've ever known. His heart was open to new friends. I'm fortunate to have met, shared meaningful time with Nick, June and Nick drove down to Sarasota for my wedding to my love, Jane Hancock. June even made our cake and put it together while in Sarasota. Nick had the biggest heart. Welcoming people into June and Nicks home as family. He lived his faith which I admired of him. I know for certain he is with us all who loved him. He especially is with his "June". He loved June so much and so deeply. I'm certain Nick is looking down on those who loved him. Party on Nick! We love and miss your large presence. ❤️!! 🙏

January 28 at 3:56 PM

NP

**Nicky Paul** posted:

Beloved "Big" Uncle Nicky, You were always there for me, and all of us, who needed you- day or night, near or far. No favor was ever too big (or too small) for you to step in and help with. I love you, and will carry many loving memories of your big-hearted love, booming voice, and generosity close to my heart forever. Love, "Little" Uncle Nicky

January 28 at 1:20 PM



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