

Nicholas John Spiak Jr

November 19, 1942 - February 4, 2019

Nicholas John Spiak, Jr. died February 4, 2019 at his home in Greer, SC, while under the compassionate care of Wren Hospice of Greer.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys Futral Spiak; his son, Nicholas John Spiak, III (Jeanette); his daughter, Dorothy Christine Spiak (James Callahan); and four grandsons, Maxwell Spiak Della Maggiora, Adam Spiak Della Maggiora, Robert Nicholas Spiak Callahan, and Nicholas John Spiak, IV.

Nick was the son of the late Nicholas John Spiak, Sr., and Christine Sweeney Spiak of Richmond, VA. He graduated from Fork Union Military Academy and Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN, where he was awarded a football scholarship.

While at Vanderbilt, Nick married Gladys and their son, Nick III, was born. After graduation, the three moved to Greenville SC so Gladys could earn her degree from Furman University.

Nick was an entrepreneur and started several companies, including Gusto Seafood, Inc. and Sushi with Gusto, Inc., a nation-wide sushi bar franchise enterprise. He retired in 2010, leaving SWG in the capable hands of Hisamichi Fujimura, his founding business partner, his son Nick III, and later, his daughter, Christine.

Nick was a hunting and fishing enthusiast and loved to plan expeditions with friends and family. Many friends will remember him as a fierce proponent of the six-wheel ATV, universal access to bingo and bowling, and the champion of multi-generational Texas Hold'em, whereby many a grandchild was relieved

of his allowance. He will be fondly remembered and sorely missed by all who knew and loved him.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Thursday, February 7, 2019 at The Wood Mortuary, conducted by Rev. Toni Pate. A private burial for family members will follow the service.

Visitation will be 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at The Wood Mortuary in Greer.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Church of Greenville, 100 Pete Hollis Blvd., Greenville, SC 29601.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.
300 West Poinsett Street
Greer, SC 29650
(864) 877-3351
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

Service

FEB 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL
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Tribute Wall



“ *Peace, Prayer Blessing Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 08, 2019 at 08:36 AM



“ *Fujimura Family (from Japan) purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*

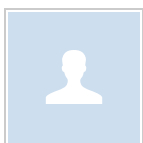


Fujimura Family (from Japan) - February 07, 2019 at 08:17 AM



“ *Nick was a longtime friend...from USC to Fripp Island. He will be missed by all that knew him. Our thoughts and love goes out to Glades, Nick, Christina and all of the Spiak family. Thinking of you, Tom and Emily*

tom - February 06, 2019 at 08:58 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 06, 2019 at 07:37 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 06, 2019 at 05:46 PM



“ *lillian purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



lillian - February 06, 2019 at 04:00 PM



“ *The Fresh Market purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



The Fresh Market - February 06, 2019 at 03:49 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 06, 2019 at 02:39 PM

DK

“ *Dustin Goot & Ashley (Goot) Koester purchased the Beautiful Whisper for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



Dustin Goot & Ashley (Goot) Koester - February 06, 2019 at 02:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 06, 2019 at 11:28 AM

TF

“ *The Rueter Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



The Rueter Family - February 06, 2019 at 07:57 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 06, 2019 at 02:04 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 05, 2019 at 10:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 05, 2019 at 09:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 05, 2019 at 09:22 PM



“ *Monk and Pam Dumit purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



Monk and Pam Dumit - February 05, 2019 at 06:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.



February 05, 2019 at 06:14 PM



“ My husband Alex and I traveled with Nick and Gladys on several trips as well as going to Fripp and Williamsburg. He was a funny, generous and gracious man who made a difference in his world. How lucky we are to have know him.
Ruth DeLoor VU class of 69

Ruth DeLoor and Alex Watson - February 05, 2019 at 06:11 PM



“ My heart is broken and I wish I could be there to hug you all. Nick was one of the coolest people I ever knew, unique and fully himself with no apologies! My life is richer for having known him.

Cathy Plowden - February 05, 2019 at 05:52 PM



“ Yamasa Corporation USA purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.



Yamasa Corporation USA - February 05, 2019 at 05:27 PM

KM

“ *Kyawt Khine Mon purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



Kyawt Khine Mon - February 05, 2019 at 05:16 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 05, 2019 at 05:09 PM

SI

“ *Shigeaki FUJII / Takaokaya U.S.A. Inc., purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



Shigeaki FUJII / Takaokaya U.S.A. Inc., - February 05, 2019 at 05:00 PM

LP

“ *Gladys, Christie, Nick and family,
My heart is broken for the loss of Nick. He always made me feel like one of your family all the years of our childhood. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.
With much sadness,
Laura*



Laura Phillips - February 05, 2019 at 04:15 PM

Jl

“ *JFC INTERNATIONAL INC purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



JFC INTERNATIONAL INC - February 05, 2019 at 03:00 PM



“ *Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 05, 2019 at 02:24 PM

PS

“ *Paula&Ric Rogers / Denise Phillips (Paula's sister purchased the Simply Happy Kalanchoe Plant for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



Paula&Ric Rogers / Denise Phillips (Paula's sister - February 05, 2019 at 02:00 PM

LE

“ *Big Nick will forever be in our hearts and memories. I'll always remember the big smile along with the great stories that he would always share. I thank God that I had the blessed opportunity to know such a great man!*

Let the memories of your husband's/father's life provide you with the comfort you need during this challenging time. Spiak family you will Forever be in my prayers.

Laconda Earle (Sushi with Gusto)



Laconda Earle - February 05, 2019 at 01:37 PM

BS

So sorry for your great loss. Big Nick was very special to us. We will miss him. Bev and Dan Smith

Bev Smith - February 05, 2019 at 04:18 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nicholas John Spiak Jr.*



February 05, 2019 at 12:15 PM