



Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson

March 6, 1936 - January 3, 2013

William D. "Billy" Nicholson, 76 of Hartsville, SC went home to be with his Lord on January 3, 2013, surrounded by his family in Hartsville, SC. Services celebrating his life will be held Saturday, January 5, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Luke United Methodist Church. The Reverend Mike Smith and the Reverence Dr. Bill Bouknight with burial in Magnolia Cemetery directed by Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home. The family will receive friends following the service at the church.

Billy was born in Hartsville, SC, on March 6, 1936 a son of the late Dan C. and Sarah Polson Nicholson. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather who loved his family. He had one child and two grandchildren whom he loved dearly. He worked all his life. Graduating from Hartsville High School, he was discharged from the US Army in the early sixties and went to work for Western Auto and later assumed a position at International Mineral and Chemical Corporation. Following this job, he went to work for the Darlington County School District from which he retired. Later, he worked part time for American Greetings which he enjoyed very much. He attended St. Luke Methodist Church where he was constantly helping with such projects as giving Teddy Bears to children at the hospital. He blessed many with his love for fixing things and considered the work of his hands as a ministry to others. He was preceded in death by his brother, Buddy Nicholson. Survivors include, wife, Mary Oliver Nicholson of 56 years, and his son, William D. "Danny" Nicholson II and wife, Debra Nicholson, along with their children, Taylor and Bryson. Billy

was a 21 year heart transplant recipient and considered by many as a living "miracle." His new heart made it possible for him to enjoy the family beach house in Garden City SC and make many memories with his grandchildren. He enjoyed attending football games, buying baseball cards, and collecting lighthouses. The family extends special thanks to all the many doctors who attended to his needs, including, Dr. Thomley and the Carolina Heart Institute in Charlotte, NC, Dr. Rob Elder and staff, and the entire Carolina Pines Hospital family. In lieu of flowers, gifts of remembrance can be made to St. Luke Methodist Church, 302 Dunlap Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550.

Cemetery Details

Magnolia Cemetery

140 South Cedar Lane
Hartsville, SC 29550
(843) 383-3004

Previous Events

Service

JAN 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke Methodist Church
302 Dunlap Dr.
Hartsville, SC

Visitation

JAN 5. 11:45 AM (ET)

St. Luke Methodist Church
302 Dunlap Dr.
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall

MP

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Mr. Nicholson was such a sweet man and he will be missed by so many. We will keep you in our prayers.

Marla, Gino, Justin and Jacob Prozzi

Marla Prozzi - January 13, 2013 at 02:44 PM

SW

“ From this picture, Billy looks like a person anyone would want to know. I only know his wonderful son Danny, so it's obvious what a fine person Billy was since he raised such a great son. My thoughts and prayers are with Billy's family.

Scott Wells - January 07, 2013 at 08:54 AM

SM

“ Mary, I was so sorry to hear about Billy. He was such a dear, precious man and he will be greatly missed. You two have always been so sweet to me and I will never forget your kindness. Please know that I love you and that you will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Shirley McCutchen

Shirley McCutchen - January 06, 2013 at 06:54 PM

AJ

“ Ann King Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



Ann King Johnson - January 06, 2013 at 06:51 PM

SS

“ *Danny and Family, My thoughts are prayers are with you all. God Bless!!*



Sherry Beasley Stallings - January 05, 2013 at 07:56 PM

LA

“ *What a great picture! It certainly reveals the heart and soul of a real fine man. My prayer for you all is that your grief eases soon and that wonderful memories prevail and give you peace.*

Libba Andrews

Libba Andrews - January 05, 2013 at 03:10 PM

JG

“ *Jerri Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson*



Jerri Gainey - January 05, 2013 at 10:40 AM

JH

“ *We have many good memories of conversations with Billy, Our love and prayers to Mary and Danny and family.*



Jerry and Gene Hall - January 04, 2013 at 04:29 PM

DM

“ Go Rest High On That Mountain 'Cause, Brother, Your Work On Earth Is Done.

David M. Nicholson - January 04, 2013 at 01:45 PM

TT

“ Tommy Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



Tommy Thomas - January 04, 2013 at 12:45 PM

SW

“ Sherry Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



Sherry Wright - January 04, 2013 at 12:16 PM

SW

Mr. Bill was such a wonderful kind friend. Always smiling and loved to talk to me when I saw him from time to time in the area stores putting up greeting cards. I worked with him many times throughout the years on revisions with American Greetings and also filled in and worked his stores when he was not well many, many times. Each time he was always ready to get back to his stores and work them. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time of loss. May God wrap you all in His arms and give you comfort. Hold onto all the precious memories that you have. God Bless You.

Sherry Wright - January 04, 2013 at 12:27 PM

DC

“ I have the sweetest childhood memories of time spent with your mom and dad on Richardson Circle. Looking back, we were so blessed with safe havens in all our cherished friend's homes. I remember the laughter, the music, the sweet smiles and the warmth of your home. Wishing your Dad Godspeed with the angels! He fought the good fight with strength and courage and left your family with an example of unwavering faith and endless love. We love you, Donna Crocker and family



Donna Crocker - January 04, 2013 at 10:26 AM

RS

“ Rhonda Payne Stockton lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



Rhonda Payne Stockton - January 04, 2013 at 09:49 AM

AT

“ You and your family are in our thoughts Danny. Mr. Billy was special in many ways and it's hard to give up our dad's! Our prayers are with you during this time. We love you!

Abby and Allen

Abby Tyner - January 04, 2013 at 08:29 AM

JB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with this special family as you go through this difficult time. My life has been greatly impacted by each one of you. The many years we spent together watching over Taylor and Bryson. I looked forward to the many deeds of kindness Mr. Billy shared with me and the precious little ones in my care. God has gained a very special ANGEL to watch over us. I love you all may God be with you.
Jill Beckham



Jill Beckham - January 04, 2013 at 08:25 AM

HG

“ Mr. Nicholson was an amazing man. I worked with him many times for American Greetings. No matter what, he always wanted to come back to work. It was always a pleasure to see his smiling face. My thoughts and prayers are with his family

Holly Gandy - January 04, 2013 at 06:09 AM

RH

“ Ronald Hughey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



ronald hughey - January 04, 2013 at 12:59 AM

JC

“ Jennifer Curtis-Chapman lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



Jennifer Curtis-Chapman - January 03, 2013 at 07:34 PM

JC

Mr. Billy was always a delightful person who had a great story to share and I am glad I got to know some of them. Thoughts and prayers are with each of you.

Jennifer Curtis-Chapman - January 03, 2013 at 07:35 PM

JG

“ Jimmy,judy Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



jimmy,judy gainey - January 03, 2013 at 04:48 PM

DW

“ David And Sherrie Windham lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Daniel "Billy" Nicholson



David and Sherrie Windham - January 03, 2013 at 04:23 PM