



Michael J. Nicholson

April 15, 1947 - April 27, 2025

Michael Jay Nicholson, 78, of Bluffton, passed away on Sunday, April 27, 2025, at AMG Specialty Hospital in Muncie, following post-surgical complications.

Mike was born on April 15, 1947, in Bluffton to Ira T. "Nick" and Martha Jane (Miller) Nicholson. He graduated from Bluffton High School in 1965 and then served his country in the U.S. Navy. He worked as an electrician for BAE for many years before retiring in 2015. On June 10, 1972, Mike and Sherryl D. Ripple were married. They shared 51 years of marriage before her passing on October 31, 2023.

Survivors include three children, Shawn (Dr. Teresa) Nicholson of Bluffton, Stace Nicholson of Alexandria, VA. and Micah (Nicholas) Wright of Brownsburg, IN, five grandchildren, Grace and Olivia Nicholson of Bluffton, Madeleine Nicholson of Alexandria, VA. and Harper and Anderson Wright of Brownsburg. He is also survived by his sister, Sandra Faus of Bluffton, two nieces, Deborah Huffman and Angie McFarren, both of Bluffton, and three nephews, Doug Campbell of Bluffton, Jon Campbell of Keystone and Jeff Campbell of Columbia, SC.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Nick and Martha Nicholson and his wife, Sherryl Nicholson.

A graveside service will be held at 11 A.M. on Saturday, May 3, 2025, at Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton. Military graveside services will be performed by the United States Navy Honor Guard and American Legion Post #111 of Bluffton.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials may be made in Mike's memory to Community Care of Northeast Indiana and directed to the funeral home.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Lemler Family of Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124
Bluffton, IN

Previous Events

PUBLIC GRAVESIDE SERVICE

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Elm Grove Cemetery
3500 East State Road 124
Bluffton, IN

Tribute Wall

PN

“ *My heart goes out to all the families, always loved Uncle Mike and Aunt Cheryl*



Patty Nally - May 03, 2025 at 09:15 AM

DB

“ *Shawn, Teresa, Grace and Olivia. We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Mike. He always had time for a quick chat or a kind hello no matter how busy he was at work. Our deepest sympathy to all of you! Diann and Gary Bernard*

Diann Bernard - April 30, 2025 at 12:23 PM

MP

“ *Our deepest condolences. Mike was a good neighbor and friend our hearts go out to the family. We shared a lot of good memories with Mike - Sherryl and family. He will be forever missed. Mark, Tim Perkins*

Mark Tim Perkins - April 29, 2025 at 05:54 PM

DR

“ *I wrote a comment about seeing Him at reunions. I think I forgot to give my name. David Ripple*

David Ripple - April 29, 2025 at 02:06 PM

LM

“ *Louise Miller lit a candle in memory of Michael Nicholson*



Louise Miller - April 29, 2025 at 01:53 PM

DR

“ *Sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Many years of seeing Him and Sherryl at Faus and Ripple reunions. Good memories. Regrettably I will not be able to make the Service. May all thoughts and Prayers bring some comfort to His Family.*

David Ripple - April 29, 2025 at 01:22 PM

SM

“ Sandy and Angie, I was sorry to read of Mike's passing. I remember him and you Sandy when you were small, being at your Grandparents home and coming down to our house. Both of you were such cute little kids. May your memories be a comfort to you at this time.

Love,
Sue and Nolan

Suzanne and Nolan Markley - April 28, 2025 at 02:40 PM

BC

“ Dear Sandy and Nicholson Family so very Sorry to hear about your Brother Michael and the Kids Father! What a sweet beautiful soul of a man inside and out! I Always loved seeing him and talking to him! Our Prayers go out to all of u and your family as u grieve his loss! 🙏🙏🙏 May our Heavenly Father grant u the Peace, Grace, and Comfort in the days, weeks, months, and years to come! God Bless the Nicholson Family! Love, Barry and JoEllen! ❤️



Barry Crosbie - April 27, 2025 at 11:38 AM

MM

Sorry to hear of Mike's passing. For many years Mike Dave Terhune, and myself walked to school together. We did of growing up together. Prayers for the familyat these times.

Mick Musser - April 28, 2025 at 09:55 PM



Dear Sandy and the Nicholson family, so sorry to hear of Mikes passing. My heart and prayers are with you

Ron Bowman - May 03, 2025 at 09:45 AM