



Mr. Michael Lanard Nick

April 6, 1954 - August 7, 2023

Retired Sgt. Michael Nick, 69, of Huger, SC entered eternal rest on Monday, August 7, 2023.

Ret. Sgt. Nick is survived by his wife Min. Patricia Ann Nick; children: Michelle Nick (Theron), Angela Singleton (Latrell), Edrina Bess (Duane), Tanya Cooks, Christopher Rolling (Bonnie), and Anotinio Cooks (Shaquillia); 9 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, Ivory Nick and Chloe Singleton who spent majority of their days hiding from "Papa"; siblings: Samuel Nick (Herline), James Nick (Ruby), Russell Nick (Barbara), Sally Nelson, Richard Nick (Mildred), Robert Nick, Shirley Singleton (Michael), Yvette Brown (Barry), and Wayne Nick (Tracey); aunts: Evangelist Estelle Garner, Ms. Lottie Nick, Elder Edna Mae Clement; grand-aunt, Mrs. Lucille Denmark; brothers and sisters-in-law: Isaac Drayton (Myra), John Henry Wright (Julie), Woodrow Wright (Arlett), Martha Bonneau (Harold), Mary J. Wright, and Hattie Wright; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents: Mr. James Silas Nick and Mrs. Iver Denmark Nick; and his parents-in-law: Mr. Johnnie Wright and Mrs. Susan Wright.

Celebration of Life Service

Saturday, August 12, 2023

11:00 AM

New Hope Family Life Center

152 Heywardridge Lane
Huger, SC 29450

Public Viewing

Friday, August 11, 2023

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Family Hour

7:00 to 8:00 PM

Bethel AME Church

5366 Halfway Creek Rd.

Huger, SC, SC 29450

The Funeral Service will be live-streamed on the Smith-McNeal Funeral Home Facebook Page.

Previous Events

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Smith-McNeal - FACEBOOK PAGE

Tribute Wall

GG

“ I also played a lot of basketball with Michael, and he was fearless. A bunch of middle aged white guys playing pick up basketball in the old Moultrie gym, he walks in, waits till the game is over, then takes the court with the next group as if he's been with us the whole time! We shared many laughs over the years about this. He was a good man, quick to tell a joke and quicker to laugh at one. So sorry he is no longer with us, but so glad he is in a better place.
George Garmendia

George Garmendia - August 15, 2023 at 08:56 AM

ML

“ Marisa Lee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Lanard Nick



Marisa Lee - August 13, 2023 at 11:05 PM

ML

“ Sgt. Nick will definitely be missed on this side!!! I had the pleasure of being a correctional/duty officer under him. Oh the debates we had and him constantly reminding me of how much of a daddy's girl I was and how spoiled I had to be. I would always tell him it took one to know one. Thanks for the memories and sleep in peace my dear frat brother who I nicknamed the "Singing Sergeant"

Marisa Lee - August 13, 2023 at 11:03 PM

OM

“ I work with Smith-Mcneal am a grave digger and one of the vault guys. Whenever we were coming out of Green Bay Michael would show up shortly afterward. He will make sure we are putting the loved ones in the correct spot.He will also leave the side or back door open to the church so we can use the restroom or get something cool to drink. He was a generous and loving man and will give his last to assist anyone

O'Neil Myers - August 13, 2023 at 02:52 PM

JG

“ It is with profound sadness that I offer my sincere condolences to the family and friends of Sgt. Nick as well as all of our CPD family. I bare witness to the truth of all the kind words expressing and reflecting upon his great smile, uplifting sprit and unwavering willingness to help others. He will be truly missed.
Micah 6:8 what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do just, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?
Rest in peace my brother; Job well done thy good and faithful servant.
In High Regards,
James Glover
Retired Sergeant, Charleston Police Department

James Glover - August 12, 2023 at 01:20 PM

LR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. I enjoyed working with Sgt. Nick

Lori Roe - August 12, 2023 at 10:49 AM

MA

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Marilyn - August 12, 2023 at 10:26 AM

JW

“ You were my cousin, Brother-in-law, and my neighbor. I'm going to miss you boy. I won't be able to see and hear you in the back yard anymore saying, "what's up Julie Ann, what you bake today?" We won't be able to laugh and joke anymore. Love you Michael, I'm truly going to miss you!

Julie Ann Wright - August 12, 2023 at 09:25 AM

EN

“ Michael was one of the kindest person I've ever met. I'm going to miss you cousin.

Elnora Nesbitt - August 12, 2023 at 08:44 AM

WN

“ To Sgt Nick Family, Sgt was a good Friend of mine as well as my co-worker. He truly a Great Brother, my condolences to the Family. God does not make mistakes just keep on praying 🙏🙏. We all will meet again. Retired Sergeant William Nelson CPD

William Nelson - August 12, 2023 at 07:26 AM

PC

“ My condolences and prayers are going up for the Nick family. My God wrap his arms of strength around you and comfort your hearts now and continue to do so throughout the future. 🌸 Assistant Pastor Nick, Love you! 🙏



Prophetess Jacquelyn Cobb - August 12, 2023 at 12:07 AM

DG

Sending condolences to the family.

Debra Grant - August 12, 2023 at 11:08 AM

GP

“ On behalf of the Royal Blue & White Family, Phi Beta Sigma, Inc., and Zeta Phi Beta, Inc. Family of Texas College, we extend our sincere condolences for our dear brother Michael Nick. He will always and forever be in our hearts. May God grant the family strength in times like this.

*Humbly Submitted,
Brother Glenn Ponder
&
The Royal Blue & White Family - Blue Phi*

Glen Ponder - August 11, 2023 at 06:25 PM

JB

“ It was an honor knowing and working with Sergeant Nick. Rest in peace my friend. My thoughts and prayers are with the Nick family at this time.

John Bonanni



John Bonanni - August 11, 2023 at 06:20 PM

BH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. God will always get you through what you’re going through
Micheal and Brenda Heyward
Moncks Corner SC



Brenda Heyward - August 11, 2023 at 05:12 PM

R)

“ I played much basketball with Michael, got to know him well. Very competitive and always the gentleman. He was always willing to help people when they were in need. He was someone you couldn't help but like. A good man.

Robert Utsey (Bobby) - August 11, 2023 at 05:11 PM

AF

“ ...sending a tribute to Sgt. Nick for a life well-lived. His many years of service to the community, kindness, and courage will not be forgotten. Rest in peace dear brother.
-Alesia Flores

Alesia Flores - August 11, 2023 at 03:47 PM

MS

“ Mary L Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Lanard Nick



Mary L Smith - August 11, 2023 at 02:33 PM

MS

*"Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal."
Deepest Sympathy to the entire Nick family.*

Mary L Smith - August 11, 2023 at 02:33 PM

BS

*“ Beatrice Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Michael Lanard Nick*



Beatrice Smith - August 11, 2023 at 01:30 PM

BS

To Minister Patrica Nick and her children and grandchildren I am so sorry for your loss of your husband and father and grandfather, I remember him when I going to school and living in hickory shadows in Mt Pleasant. May God lead and guide you through this difficult journey I will keep you and your in my thoughts and prayers

Beatrice Smith - August 11, 2023 at 01:37 PM

LM

“ Ret. Sgt. Phillip D. McFadden's family sending heartfelt and sincere condolences. We will always remember your smile and kindness. May you both rest in peace. Keeping your family in prayer. Leola McFadden



Leola McFadden - August 11, 2023 at 09:12 AM

DW

Ret. Sgt Debra Wright sending condolences to the family. He was my training officer at CPD. He always made me laugh. His humor was off the chain. SIP Nick.

Debra Wright - August 13, 2023 at 04:35 AM

TK

“ *Tyesha Kinlaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Lanard Nick*



Tyesha Kinlaw - August 11, 2023 at 02:31 AM

SB

“ *Sandra Bess lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Lanard Nick*



Sandra Bess - August 11, 2023 at 12:37 AM

SM

“ *To Wayne (Tracey), Lilly Ann and the Nick family, on behalf of the McPherson/Knox family, we extend to you our deepest sympathy and prayers. May the Lord give you the Strength and Comfort you need as you face the days ahead!*
May the memories you have shared with your love one be cherished and give you a peace that surpasses all understanding. God's blessings, Evie, Ashley, Brandon and Zion

Shirley McPherson - August 10, 2023 at 11:43 PM

JP

“ *My heart felt condolences to the entire Nick Family.*

Jo Ann Prioleau-Robinson - August 10, 2023 at 10:57 PM

SH

“ To Brother Nick’s family, my and our condolences and prayers of comfort and peace are being sent up for him and you guys! Micheal was my Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc Frat Brother. More especially, he was my Dean of Pledgees and I was one of last brothers he made a fraternity member over 50 years ago! I have been communicating with Brother Nicks over the years and he has always remained a pillar of strength and advisor. I could always count on him to point me in the right direction. God needed our Brother and we will see him again. Know that we have, at our past Texas College Homecoming events and that we will speak of him in the future, when communicating about the royal blue and white family experiences of the 1970s. He had that kind of impact. He was a member of the Texas College National Alumni Association and we will always love him and his family. TC4LIFE!



Spencer Hervey - August 10, 2023 at 07:40 PM

PW

“ Priscilla Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Lanard Nick



Priscilla Wright - August 10, 2023 at 05:54 PM

DO

“ The future is not for us to know, because if we did, we would have seen you at that last opportunity. We will miss you, but will always have you in our hearts. Ronnie and Doris Owens VA



Doris Owens - August 10, 2023 at 04:47 PM

RW

“ To have met Michael and enjoy his presence as well as his outstanding personality. I feel like a speaker without a speech to know what to say. But God, has left his humble and lovable wife Minister Patricia Nick who I know will stand this test of time. Along with Micheal's children, siblings, extended family and friends. Please continue to hold fast to where God's grace and mercy will sustain you all. For earth has no sorry that heaven is unable to heal.
Rev. Viola V. Witherspoon-Fuller



Rev. Viola V. Witherspoon-Fuller - August 10, 2023 at 02:53 PM

EV

“ My condolences go out to you and your family. May God give you the strength and comfort through this time.

Evangelist Philicia Venning - August 10, 2023 at 12:16 PM

TA

“ Tanya Asby lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Lanard Nick



Tanya Asby - August 10, 2023 at 10:16 AM

DJ

“ Jesus is on the main line, tell him what you want! Sgt. Nick loved to walk around the police department singing his praise songs. He would walk into my office and blurt out a song because he knew that I would tell him that he was not at Bethel. Her loved to get me started on talking trash. I will truly miss him on this side but he knew his savior and that makes me feel comforted in knowing that he is singing in the clouds above. I will definitely miss our debates and giving him the side eye when he would purposely not let me in the door as if he did not see me standing there. He knew that I was going to fuss with him and I knew he just couldn't start his day without me having something to say. a great soul has transitioned and will be missed.

Donna Jackson - August 10, 2023 at 08:32 AM

DW

“ Sgt Nick, I remember when I first met you 25 years ago as a rookie. You were in training making sure we had what we needed. You kept us laughing with humour. God makes no mistakes. He wanted his angel back. May God give his family strength and peace!!



Debra Wright - August 09, 2023 at 11:21 PM

JW

“ Janet Wright lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael Lanard Nick



Janet wright - August 09, 2023 at 06:39 PM

JW

Sorry for your loss praying for the family

Janet wright - August 09, 2023 at 06:40 PM

DM

We are truly saddened and share in your loss. Sgt. Michael Nick was definitely one of a kind. His family meant the world to him. We always had great conversations, and debates, not to mention our love for the Minnesota Vikings. Nick was an amazing co-worker and friend. He will truly be missed. May God grant the family peace and keep you in his loving care in the coming days. May he rest in peace. Much love to the family, friends, and brothers and sisters in blue.

Dale and Christine Middleton - August 09, 2023 at 09:14 PM

RH

“ I wish the family and former coworkers peace during this time of grief. Mike was a spiritual man and that served him well. To be absent from the body is to be with our Lord. That smile and laugh will be missed. Watch over us all.

Romaine Heyward - August 09, 2023 at 12:55 PM

MR

“ I’m so sorry to hear this beloved brother has gone on. Nick was a staple in the Charleston Police Dept. I worked for Hanahan. He always had a smile. He and his family was a joy to talk to and work around.



Mike H. Patterson Sr. retired - August 09, 2023 at 08:11 AM

JC

“ I was Michael’s Dental Hygienist and his great outlook on life was infectious! I saw him last week and we talked about how much he was enjoying retirement! I’m retiring soon and he told me I was going to love it! I will be so sad to not see him one more time before I retire! He was an awesome human being and the world is a better place because he was part of our lives! I will pray for the whole family that extends beyond his home!

Jill Clark - August 09, 2023 at 08:09 AM

TH

“ Michael was not just a Sargeant with the fine City of Charleston Police Department, but a loving husband and father. When my wife and I moved to United Drive, he was the first man I met. He welcomed us to his beloved Greenbay community, with open arms. I saw him and talked and joked with him hundreds of times in the last 30 years here. He was extremely well respected in the community and within his brothers and sisters in blue. He was shocked the first time he saw me in the uniform of Berkeley County Sheriff Deputy. It made him smile and we were that much closer. He was the man who knew the pulse of the community and he was very proud of the place he had grown up. We worked to clean up the roads and make the community a great place to call home. We are all shaken and many tears have been shed in my home for Mike. May the Lord bless and comfort his family and us all. The Lord has Michael by his side as an angel now. Rest in Peace, my brother in blue.
Thomas Terry Hamlin

Thomas Terry Hamlin - August 09, 2023 at 07:03 AM

EG

“ Sgt. Nick will truly be missed. Sending my prayers to his family as well as our CPD family. He would come to our office and we would be laughing because he's usually being smart on the mouth but we definitely enjoyed his presence. He was a wonderful person to work with.



E. Grant - August 08, 2023 at 10:18 PM

RH

“ To The Family and friends and Co-workers @ CPD of Sgt Michael Nick, we mourn today of a "Happy Soul", A Police Sgt, a friend and a mentor, and most of ALL A CHILD OF GOD. SGT NICK THANK FOR ALWAYS BEING WHO YOU WERE..TO BE ABSENT FROM THIS BODY IS TO BE PRESENT WITH THE LORD.."SLEEP IN THE BOSSOM OF GOD, TILL THAT GREAT GETTING UP MORNIN" SING ON IN DAT HEAVENLY CHIOR...



R.J. HOLMES Ret. CPD Detective

Richard Holmes - August 08, 2023 at 10:17 PM

DE

“ Sgt. Nick was a wonderful Soul. He would always be smiling every time I saw him at work. My condolences to the NICK family. I know this is a great loss to you all as well as the City of Charleston Police Department. We will all cherish fond memories of this Man of GOD!

Dwayne Elliott - August 08, 2023 at 08:41 PM



“ A wonderful person to come in contact with. Always telling jokes and would keep me laughing, going to miss him. 🙏



Tajai Jenkins - August 08, 2023 at 08:18 PM



“ Sending prayers and condolences to the family Micheal and raise up in the greenbay area we were all family I truly miss him his smile and just being him most sweetest man u want to meet res on Michael until we see each again

Debra Brown Smith - August 08, 2023 at 06:54 PM



Deepest sympathy to the Nick Family and friends. As you go through this most trying time please know that you are in our prayers. Elmore Temple I.A.M.E. Church Family

Dr. Janie M.B. Gadson - August 10, 2023 at 06:56 PM



I am just finding out about the passing of Sgt. Nick. Sending prayers out for his loved ones. I have great memories from when I worked with Sgt. Nick at CPD. He was always uplifting, nonjudgmental & down to earth with a great sense of humor. Rest In Peace Sgt. Nick. Pam Lyn

Pam - September 18, 2025 at 04:49 PM