



# Dwayne Kent Nickel

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## Dwayne Kent Nickel 73

Dwayne lost his battle with COVID after an extended illness on Friday, September 10, 2021 at HealthPark Hospital in Fort Myers, FL. He was born on November 21, 1947 in Goessel, KS.

Dwayne was a Vietnam Veteran, Army 82nd Airborne division. He served in Vietnam with the rank of Sergeant and took his responsibility to his country seriously the rest of his life. He was also a member of the 5th Army Honor Guard and the Army National Guard.

He was a graduate of Wichita State, BA Business and Marketing. He was a 39-year RV industry veteran later serving on committees for RVIA and in executive positions at Kinder Mfg., Contra Seating, Lux Company of Coachmen, Fabwel Owens Corning and Dicor Corporation. His international travels took him all over the world discovering new products for development in the RV industry. He and Julie were retired and living in Fort Myers, Florida.

Dwayne enjoyed sailing on Lake Michigan for 25 years, scuba diving, skiing, riding motorcycles, and of late, exploring the waters of the Gulf of Mexico and learning to shark fish. Dwayne loved life and made the most of every adventure. Dwayne enjoyed working with his hands, a talented woodworker, he was often found building something in the garage. He was always ready to help out anyone that needed advice or a helping hand. He was a volunteer at CROW on Sanibel Island and a huge fan of nature. He still has many lifelong friends and has gathered more on his adventures through life. His greatest love however, was being a grandpa.

Dwayne is survived by his wife of 27 years, Julie Jenkins Nickel, daughter Lindsay Johanns MacFeat (James), granddaughters Isla and Emma of Somers, CT, brother Richard Nickel (Palm Desert CA), and sister Donna Venso (Newton KS). Preceded in death by parents Pete and Edna (Schroeder) Nickel, he leaves many nieces, nephews and extended family.



## Obituary

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We will be celebrating Dwayne's life on Friday, November 26 at the Field of Honor at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens. The short outdoor military ceremony will begin at 4:00 p.m. Donations may be made in Dwayne's honor to CROW (Center for Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Sanibel Island, FL) or Vietnam Veterans of America.




# Events


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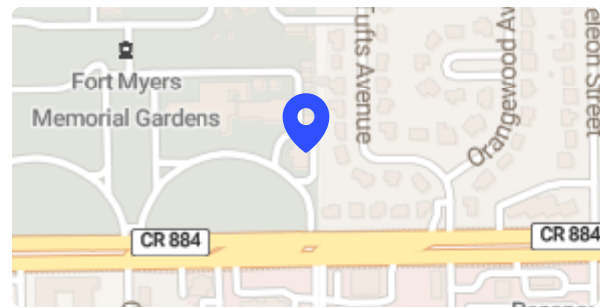
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## Memorial Service

 **Friday**, November 26, 2021

 4:00 PM ET

 **Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Cemetery**  
1589 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers FL 33907





## Tribute Wall

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PD

**Paul Dwyer** posted:

Dwayne was our President at Sanibel View. I was shocked to learn of his passing. Dwayne and Julie were a real gift to our community here. We pray for the family.. Paul and Sharon Dwyer

February 12 at 3:01 PM

MI

**Mike** shared an album called **Memories Album**.



November 16 at 3:01 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Nickel family.



November 9 at 7:48 AM

BS

**Bud Stout** posted:

Dwayne and I have a long history. As single men we played long and well. As working associates we accomplished many meaningful and successful projects for ourselves and the company we were employed by. I was most fortunate to be "there" when Julie and Dwayne "discovered" each other, moved through the dating days on into marriage. Dwayne was an indelible friend and "Buddy", fun to be around and adventuresome. He chose well when he chose Julie as did she Dwayne. We join all those who mourn Dwayne's passing and send love and hugs to Julie. Bud and Teri Stout

October 6 at 8:30 AM

PH

**Patricia Hilditch** posted:

Sending love and condolences, Julie, for your loss. Dwayne was a very special guy.

September 30 at 8:51 AM



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**Kevin Watts** posted:

Great guy that loved to fish! We had some fun catching sharks off of Sanibel. Rest in peace my good friend!Kevin Watts

September 30 at 4:40 AM



**Pat Malloy (Hilditch)** posted:

Love and prayers go out to you, Julie and the family. Jim and I enjoyed times spent with you both. Wishing you love and peace in the wonderful memories you made together.

September 20 at 2:29 PM



**Mike & Sue** posted:

Memories from 'across the pond' of our wonderful friend Dwayne. We first met Dwayne and Julie when we had a condo at Sanibel View and remember it like it was yesterday. There was a social evening once a month and meeting Dwayne for the first time was special, that smile and easy going humour. Needless to say, we became good friends and enjoyed many great social occasions - Dwayne and Julie were great hosts and we will miss Dwayne terribly.Our thoughts are with Julie and family, we are hoping that the USA borders will be open for us to be there for Dwayne's Memorial.

September 20 at 7:32 AM



**Carol West** posted:

Dwayne was a great man. I knew him from when he lived in Elkhart. I was married to Jim West at the time and we have so many good memories of Dwayne. He was our best man when we got married also. I will never forget the fun memories we made with Dwayne. He was always laughing or had a smile on his face. Godspeed Dwayne. ❤️🙏. You will be missed by many and you are loved 😊

September 16 at 2:28 PM



**Mike** shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.

November 16 at 3:01 AM



Fond Memories of Great Times Shared



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Dwayne by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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