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**N**icholas Jason Sterling, Jr., 89, of Cape Coral, passed away peacefully on March 25, 2024. He was born in Cooperstown, New York on November 7, 1934 to Nicholas J. and Christine Sterling. He is survived by his wife Xenia (Mickey) of 62 years and their three children; Larissa Sterling, Alexandra Hellenbrand and her husband Jack, and Christopher Sterling and his wife Meghan, along with six grandchildren.

He has called Florida his home since 2000. Previously, he had lived in; Binghamton, New York; Blowing Rock, North Carolina; and Pine Island, Florida; then he moved permanently to Cape Coral.

His educational career included C2 BA from Williams College; an MS and PhD from Syracuse University in Mathematics. He taught at the Millbrook School for Boys, in Millbrook, New York; in the Jamesville-Dewitt School System, DeWitt, New York; and Webster College, Webster Groves, Missouri. In 1966, he became assistant professor at SUNY-B (now Binghamton University). In three years, he became associate professor with tenure and continued teaching for the university for 32 years. Twelve of those years, he was Master of Hinman College which was an integral part of the university. He served on multiple committees, helping to make changes to the university. Above all, he loved teaching: teaching students ranging from the elementary level through high school; college students, graduate students including teachers. He had been a part of CSMP ( Comprehensive School Program ) for 15 years, a program which developed a mathematics curriculum for students K-12.

He retired in June of 1998 and moved south. This enabled Nick and his wife to enjoy boating, fishing, gardening; in addition to frequent international travels, ski trips to Colorado and trips to visit family in California and North Carolina. Above all, Nick enjoyed the outdoors and its' sports. He was an avid skier and hiker.

Final arrangements will be made at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens in August.



## Tribute Wall

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**Mark Smith** posted:

My name is Mark Smith. Prof. Sterling was incredibly helpful to me in the early '80s. I had graduated with a Masters in Sociology, but found no job. Nick allowed me to pursue Math at the undergrad and grad level at SUNY Binghamton, simultaneously in an attempt to become a high school Math teacher. Not only that, he arranged for me to be a dorm director (in order to finance the venture. In 2018 I retired after teaching for 35 years. Prof. Sterling, in a short time, gave new direction to my life. I am most grateful. Only wish I had expressed this much earlier.

December 5 at 12:59 AM



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