



Nicholas P. Gasorek Sr.

September 10, 1943 - January 16, 2022

WEATHER UPDATE: Due to the snowstorm and hazardous driving conditions, Mr. Gasorek's service has been postponed until tomorrow. See service details below

Nicholas P. Gasorek, Sr. of Bear, DE, passed away Sunday, January 16, 2022. He was born on September 10, 1943, in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Nick attended Thomas Jefferson High School in Elizabeth, New Jersey. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1961 and was a member of the ship's commissioning crew aboard the U.S.S. Enterprise (CVN-65), the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier. Nick loved planes and directed them on the flight deck for the next four years. His service included the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962. Nick served the country he loved and spoke about the men and the memories for the rest of his life. As part of the commissioning crew, he was honored as a Plank Owner.

Nick worked as a skilled welder in father's business, Metal Fabricating Company in Elizabeth, New Jersey. For the remainder of his career, he was self-employed.

Nick married Carol Grossi in the summer of 1966. They met at the White Castle in Elizabeth, New Jersey where he offered to fix their car. They welcomed their first child Sandra and second child Nicholas, Jr. Nick was a family man and time spent with his children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews were priceless. He would call it "Making Memories" and whether at the beach, fishing with his son or carving a turkey at Thanksgiving, he cherished every moment. He loved to tinker and was a fixer of everything. There was no job too big to tackle, including rebuilding his first home from the studs. Fifties music and classic car shows were two things that gave Nick much happiness. He could be heard singing an Elvis song or reminiscing about the Corvette he owned on any given day. Cooking was a great interest and he excelled at it. Canning homemade chicken soup and gravy and passing it out to family and friends, was a regular occurrence. He loved reminiscing with old friends. Nick was always looking for ways to help people.

Nick had countless legendary and now infamous saying's like "Whose got it better than me" which always created much laughter among family and friends. He is with Jesus now and there is no more fitting quote.

His favorite verse was John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that He gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life." The hope in this verse is what he would like shared most. Nick would want to be remembered as a man who loved the Lord.

Nick is survived by his loving wife, Carol Gasorek; daughter, Sandra Gasorek; son, Nicholas Gasorek Jr. and wife, Noel; grandsons, Michael and Alex Gasorek; sisters, Merry Ellen Gasorek and Lelia Wilson; brothers and sisters-in-law, Gary and Sue Grossi and John and Renee Grossi; and nieces and nephews: Dana, Sara, Amanda, Steven and Lauren Grossi. He was preceded in death by his parents, Benjamin and Mary Gasorek; and nephew and niece, Jon and Joy Eichler.

A visitation will be held Sunday, January 30, 2022, from 2-3 PM at Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE 19702 followed by a service in celebration of Nick's life at 3 PM. The service will be live-streamed at <https://webcasts.lifetrIBUTES.com/1188844> In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Nick's memory to the Journey/Excel Program. This is a program at Red Lion Christian Academy servicing children with special needs. Make out the check to Red Lion Christian Academy, 1390 Red Lion Rd., Bear, DE 19701. Be sure to list "Journey/Excel Program" on the memo line. For directions or to send an online condolence visit www.stranofeeley.com

Cemetery Details

Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery

2465 Chesapeake City Road
Bear, DE 19701

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 30. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home
635 Churchmans Rd.
Newark, DE 19702

Service

JAN 30. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LW

“ We wrote your name in the sky, but the wind blew it away.
We wrote your name in the sand, but the waves washed it away.
We wrote your name in our hearts and forever it will stay!

FAIR WINDS AND A FOLLOWING SEA!

*Your smile is missed my dear brother.
Lee Wilson*

Lee Wilson - January 30 at 02:58 PM

MS

“ So many family memories together. I think it was at Sandbridge that we first heard Nick's "put her on a pedestal" advice to the young husbands. Love you all!



Marsha Spangler - January 30 at 02:41 PM

SH

Nick hey. I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your dad. Steve and Deb

Steven Hammond - June 26 at 09:48 AM

KM

“ San Carol Nick Noel Michael Alex and all that are grieving during this time, May you be comforted in gratefulness of having been exposed to such a passionate man, first and foremost as a fierce protector of his family and the boasting overflowing pride he had in all of you. My most vivid memory will always be of the first day I met him and the instant connection we had I think it was the jersey accent & the passion for Italian food..... I will always remember all the meals, the jokes and all the advice ohh all the advice!..... But whats probably most admirable is if you were a stranger or a long time freind he would move mountains in efforts to get you whatever it was you needed (and nothing was off limits it could've been a phone number a job or a washing machine. He was an asset to this world, one of a kind and I will miss him 💕



Kellz Moore - January 30 at 03:25 AM



“ I met Nick at church soon after they moved to Delaware. We bonded as soon as Sandy informed her dad I was Italian and a Giants fan. He brought me tomato sauce and we had lots of cooking talks. He always had a smile and a hug. I will miss him. Prayers for Carol and the entire family. Be at Peace that Nick is with Jesus and we will see him again. Love and Blessing, Dana and family.

Dana Mihalko - January 28 at 06:58 PM

TR

“ My heart goes out to all of you!He was such a sweet man always a smile on his face.He and my husband Bob would get to talking sometimes after church and hard to break them apart.My thoughts and prayers are certainly with you all!He will be greatly missed.

Tonia and Bob Roop - January 28 at 05:53 PM

BL

“ Dear Carol, Sandra, Nicky and family.
It has been 50 years since we met, our neighbor and our friend. It is hard to say goodbye after the wonderful day our daughters arranged for us to see each other. It was a beautiful day of love and friendship. RIP 🙏. Sincerely Anita and Bob 💔

Bob and Anita Lesbriel - January 27 at 01:15 PM



“ *Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Nicholas P. Gasorek Sr..*



January 26 at 09:55 PM

SD

“ *We got to know Mr. Gasorek while working with Sandi at Journey. Both Mr. and Mrs. Gasorek were such great supporters of Sandi and Journey Christian Academy and all of us connected to it. They were always there to donate or help in person with our activities. On Grandparents Day they were my daughter Lauren’s surrogate grandparents. They even took the official photo booth photo with her. That’s how big their hearts were. I know how much he meant to his family. And much he is missed by them. Tons of prayers for all who knew and loved him.*



Samtra Devard - January 26 at 12:45 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas P. Gasorek Sr..*



January 23 at 02:09 PM

JA

“ *I am so blessed by knowing Carol and Nick. Nick would tell a story on your first meeting him. Nick was full of joy! My memory is how he found a hair salon for Carol soon after they moved to Delaware. It still to this day puts a smile on my face. My prayer support is there for Carol and her family. May God's comfort shower down daily on them.*
Prayerfully yours,
Love, Janet Armstrong

Janet Armstrong - January 23 at 11:24 AM

GV

“ Mr. Gasorek-it was great getting to you you. After Sandra's knee surgery it was always a pleasure stopping by the house to visit with Sandra and bring her work. You welcomed me and treated me as part of the family and I never left with an empty stomach. Thank you for your kindness. You will be missed. 💔

Ginny Velez - January 22 at 09:09 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Nicholas P. Gasorek Sr..



January 22 at 08:44 PM

KG

“ Nick introduced himself to Carol & I right after we moved into the neighborhood as 'Nicky G from Jersey'. Nick became a great friend and is sorely & sadly missed. He'd give you anything if he could whether it be help, a kind word, joke or his opinion. We shared a love of pasta sauce & he brought me jars of it whenever he went to NJ. He would always say 'Hey, I gotta guy' like he was a big boss. We will forever miss Nick's stories, his teasing and his love of family & friends. We are truly heartbroken.

Kenny & Carol Gearheart

Kenny & Carol Gearheart - January 22 at 10:15 AM

LG

“ I’ll miss you Uncle Nick- at every family gathering, you always wanted to “make a memory” and always succeeded. You always brought the laughs with your phrases like “nobody knows” or “fogettabout it”, or by telling us how you went to “tree” (or sometimes 7) different stores for the meal because your family deserves the best. Thank you for always making sure our bellies were happy, and the special coconut “shrimps” or custard pie just because “Lauren likes it”. You loved being with our family and the second we would arrive you’d ask how long you had us for and then start negotiating for us to stay longer. The holidays won’t be the same without “Mr. thanksgiving”. Thank you for all your prayers for our family, for being our standing airport driver and taking such good care of us when we visited in LBI. I’ll miss your I love you texts and texts that were far too sharp and witty for a 70 plus year old. In your famous words, “hey, who’s got it better than us? Nobody. ” and you were right. Rest in peace Uncle Nick.



lauren grossi - January 22 at 08:34 AM

ST

“ Mr. Gasorek - Thank you for all the love you showed me from the moment you met me as Sandra's new work friend. You treated me like a daughter and had a heart of gold! 🙏

Steffany - January 21 at 05:18 PM