



David Arthur Nichols

February 7, 1940 - March 24, 2020

On Tuesday, March 24, 2020, David Arthur Nichols, loving husband, father of two children and grandfather of four grandchildren passed away at age 80.

David was born on February 7, 1940 in Apsley, Ontario, Canada to Glen and Mary Jane (Tanner) Nichols. He received his Chartered Accountant degree from Queens University in Toronto, ON. He worked for Canadian General Electric in Peterborough, ON and joined Alfa Laval Inc. (De Laval) where he would work the rest of his career in Peterborough, ON; Poughkeepsie, NY; Scarborough, ON and Fort Lee, NJ. He ended his successful career as President of Alfa Laval US Operations.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years Nancy (Corso) Nichols; his children Tim (Laura) Nichols of Baton Rouge, LA and Melanie (Rick) Taitinger of Peterborough, ON; his grandchildren Emily (Paul) Williams, Nathaniel Nichols, Victoria Taitinger and Nicholas Taitinger; his sisters Jean Hancock and Linda Ball; many beloved nieces and nephews and his cherished rescue, Hershey.

He was preceded in death by sisters Ruth Rexe, Mary Lou Howitt and Elizabeth Lillico, (with whom he shared a birthday) and brother Phil Nichols.

David had a passion for competition, especially on the golf course and at the hockey rink. Nothing could delight him more than shooting his age, except for

collecting his winnings. He played Old Timers hockey into his seventies and continued to cheer for the Toronto Maple Leafs, dreaming of a Stanley Cup win.

David was the fun loving, life of the party, who was adored by all he knew. He was generous to friends and family alike. He also felt a great responsibility for serving others. He held public office as Reeve of Smith Township, served on the board of Peterborough Civic Hospital, Central East LHN in Canada, and the Peterborough Utility Commission. He could be counted on to provide expert professional service to churches, charities and other groups throughout his life.

A memorial service will be 11:00 a.m., Saturday, November 21, 2020 at Christ Church at the Serenata Beach Club, 3175 S Ponte Vedra Blvd, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082, so we can celebrate a wonderful person, husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend.

In lieu of flowers, donations in David's memory may be made to: Christ Church at Serenata, Outreach Program, 400 San Juan Dr, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082 or Kenner Foundation, 633 Monaghan Road South, Peterborough, ON K9J5J2. Please mark your donation In Memory of David Nichols.

In keeping with the CDC Coronavirus guidelines every attendee must wear a mask and the number of attendees may be restricted. We ask that if you are at high risk, feeling ill, or traveling from an area with a high level of infection, please do not attend the service. Those unable to attend can view the service live streamed by the church at <https://www.facebook.com/ccserenata> .

To view the service live or later, on Facebook, go to Christ Church at Serenata

St Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Serenata Beach Club
3175 S Ponte Vedra Blvd
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David Arthur Nichols*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - November 12, 2020 at 02:07 PM

KK

“ *Kristina Kölerud purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of David Arthur Nichols.*



Kristina Kölerud - November 16, 2020 at 01:03 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - November 12, 2020 at 01:59 PM



“ 54 files added to the album Life Tributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - November 11, 2020 at 02:33 PM

DP

“ To Nancy and Family, Dave was a unique personality. Once you were a friend. Always a friend but you better know that he would love to take all your money in a golf game. Enjoyed Dave and Nancy's company during the years they lived in Peterborough and Port Hope Ontario. Fun to be with and always generous . Lived live to the fullest and always looking after his famil;y and Friends. Will be missed. My sympathy and love, Doug Peacock Peterborough Ontario

Doug Peacock - April 25, 2020 at 02:26 PM

ML

“ Dear Nancy, Melanie, Tim & family:

My deepest condolences!

Of all the special people in the world, you had your very own in David.

A true gentleman, with an infectious smile, or a simple grin.

Always a positive approach to the task at hand, a friendly conversation or a serious situation.

Nancy, I am so grateful that Peter & I had the opportunity to celebrate so many special moments and witness David's enduring love for you.

We will always treasure our visits and reflect on the wonderful times through our many pictures.

David will surely leave a lasting memory for all who had the privilege of knowing him.

“The heart remembers most what it has loved best.

May memories comfort you and bring you peace.”

Love Mary

Mary LePage - March 27, 2020 at 06:52 PM

PR

“ *Remembering My Dear Friend David*

Mary & I first met David and Nancy when they moved to Port Hope several years ago.

David was an ardent golfer and we shared good times on many golf courses.

David was very competitive and we always played for skins.

Whenever the skins were going the wrong way David always took steps to correct matters. I can hear him now saying, “PM, I would like a special on the next hole.” I would agree and he usually won the next hole and a bunch of skins.

David had a large warm heart and was totally committed to his family and friends. He always had a smile on his face and brought a positive presence to all gatherings.

David, you are a great friend gone too early. I will miss you and your friendship every day for the rest of my time.

Love,

Peter (PM) Robinson

Peter Robinson - March 27, 2020 at 06:40 PM

LJ

“ *David was a very special friend to Alan and I. He will always be in our hearts and the many others that loved him as we do. David will be as close to us as the beautiful memories we have shared.*

Linda & Alan Jacobs - March 27, 2020 at 03:40 PM

BH

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Bob Henuber - March 26, 2020 at 03:21 PM

BS

To all of Dave's family,

We share in your loss and are blessed to have known him.

Barbara & Joe Schmitt

Barbara Schmitt - March 26, 2020 at 04:50 PM

MP

My sincere condolences to the entire family. Mardi (Tucker) Pollock

Mardi Pollock - March 26, 2020 at 09:06 PM

JC

“ *Nancy, Tim, Laura & family, Melanie, Rick & family,*

You have our heartfelt sympathy.

Uncle David was such a kind, generous spirit who was admired by family and co-workers alike.

There must be a jubilant reunion in Heaven right now with all his sisters and family members who have passed and have waited to embrace him with God's love.

Judy, Rick & family.

Judy & Rick Covey - March 26, 2020 at 03:16 PM