



Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols

July 14, 1945 - March 2, 2025

Cecil Duane Nichols made his grand entrance to this Earthly realm on July 14, 1945, to the proud parents, the late Cecil Albert Nichols and Myrtle Mae Nelson.

During his stay of life, he had an impact on everyone he crossed paths with and met no strangers until his transition on March 2, 2025.

Cecil bravely served his country in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged. He was a UAW member through Chrysler until his retirement. He was a respected member of his union and community. He accepted and confessed his life to Christ before transitioning.

Cecil will live on through the life of his wife, Melissa Nichols, and his children, Michelle, Suzanne, Jennifer, Tonia, Shawn, Krystal, Marissa, and Marquis, sons-in-law; Maurice Sandiler and Marlon Viverette. He has an abundance of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

His siblings include JoAnn O'Hara, Eugene Nichols, and Richard Nichols.

He was preceded in death by his son Duane Nichols and his siblings Martha White, Robert Nicholas, and Melinda Winzloff.

Cemetery Details

Detroit Memorial Park West

25200 Plymouth Road
Redford Twp., MI 48239

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Mar. **21**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Saturday, Mar. **22**. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

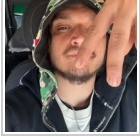
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ Seeing this today I’ve always thought I wouldn’t be bothered I only have one memory of us meeting at my dad my best friends funeral which felt meaningless I know you and my dad didn’t have a bond that a father and son should like the one me and my dad had but as I grow up and grow more wise I know that raising a child doesn’t come with a handbook it doesn’t come with any instructions on what to do or how to do it you just do it I don’t know you and honestly I’ve never been interested in knowing you what I do know is my dad was done wrong not just by you shit you probably had your reason for not raising him just like the rest of the adults in his life but my dad just wanted me to have a good chance a shot at a life that was easier than his my dad wanted to take me to meet you while he was here and when I asked him why should we go around he said because some day it will be too late it’s sad that I met my grandpa at my dads funeral it’s even more sad that my grandpa was in attendance and portrayed himself like he cared you probably do deep inside you probably do regret shit I would because every minute without my dad Duane Matthew Nichols is another second I am left with this loss a loss of knowing I met the perfect person the best kind of person the type of human that even on their last buck with almost no energy or will to keep on will still give what they have to someone else who would still get up and try just try and keep trying everyday even if it seems they aren’t making a difference that’s the kind off person that motivates me the kind of person who was never noticed was never idolized was never glorified congratulated thanked anything my dad was knocked down stepped on lied to forgotten and my dad never stopped trying and I can’t blame you because like I said you may have thought it’d b the best option for him who knows but I know I thank the man who raised me the man who taught me how to build and work with my hands the man who raised me right who helped the elderly and didn’t ask for anything because it’s what we’re supposed to do the man who made dinner from scraps and it was a gourmet meal to me because he still smiled the man who deserved the world I thank you for walking away from my dad because because of that my dad never walked away from me ~ dmn jr.

Zzoe Sxii - March 30 at 10:29 AM

YF

“ *Your Special Tool Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols.*



Your Special Tool Family - March 21, 2025 at 11:04 AM

YF

“ *Your Special Tool Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols.*

Your Special Tool Family - March 21, 2025 at 11:04 AM

RA

“ *Regina and Jalen Alexander purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols.*



Regina and Jalen Alexander - March 19, 2025 at 08:27 PM

MA

“ *Heartfelt Condolences To The Nichols Family: Duane will be in your Hearts Forever. He will be Remembered and Truly Missed by all family and friends who knew and loved him. May the God of all Comfort be with your family at this Difficult time: 2Cor 1:3,4*

Maria A - March 18, 2025 at 01:21 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols.

March 12, 2025 at 09:55 PM



“ Eugene N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols.

Eugene N. - March 12, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ Eugene N. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols.



Eugene N. - March 12, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ Grampa, I hope you're resting easy. You fought as long and as hard as you could. I'm gonna miss you. Helping you cook breakfast, hearing your voice, not getting hugs anymore or hearing "I love you." Nothing will be the same. I love you forever. ☐

Kacie Clark - March 09, 2025 at 10:52 PM

JD

“ Jeffrey Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols



Jeffrey Davis - March 07, 2025 at 10:55 AM

RA

“ Regina Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mr. Cecil Duane Nichols



Regina Alexander - March 07, 2025 at 08:28 AM

RR

“ Shawn, Shannon, Mya. I am sorry for your loss. I know how much Shawn loved his dad. Enjoyed there hunting trips and just spending time together. Cecil will be greatly missed.

REBECCA REDD - March 07, 2025 at 06:01 AM

FR

“ I'm sad to hear of Cecil's passing. His laugh and voice will be missed by many. He always had a smile for us at JNAP. RIP brother. RIP

frank - March 07, 2025 at 03:24 AM