



## Nick Piegaro

June 4, 1929 - September 28, 2012

Nick "Poppy" Piegaro, 83, of Fort Myers, Florida passed away September 28, 2012, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born June 4, 1929 in Newark, New Jersey, the son of Nicola and Concetta (Mancuso) Piegaro of Sicily. Nick was one of 14 brothers and sisters. Nick and Pat were longtime residents of Bayville, before moving to Fort Myers in 2000.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory his loving wife of 45 years, Patricia Piegaro. He was the beloved father of Cynthia Caponegro, Colleen (Jeff) Coldon, and Tricia Friederichs, and was adored by his grandchildren Nicholas, Lauren, Gregory, Amanda, Ted, Tressa, Trent, Austin, Tabitha and Kim. Poppy was ecstatically expecting the arrival of his first great-granddaughter, Mia Mariana, due October 1st. He is survived by his brother Albert, sisters Luisa Rossi and Christina Esposito, as well as beloved nieces and nephews too numerous to count.

Nick and Pat moved to Fort Myers year-round in 2005. He immediately became active in the community. "Poppa Nick" was an adored Docent for many years at the Edison and Ford Winter Estates. He particularly delighted in sharing his

knowledge with the young children who visited. Nick was also a beloved usher at Blessed Pope John Paul XXIII church. He was passionately adamant that the

young, as well as those with wheelchairs and walkers, were helped to the very front of the church where he saved them all a special spot! Poppy's joy in life (besides his cherished wife, Pat) was taking care of everyone! When he was not taking in garbage cans or newspapers for his neighbors, Poppy was volunteering with the SUN-N-FUN neighborhood watch.

Nick proudly served in the United States Army during Korea. He was a loyal member of The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (Local 400) for 55 years. In addition, Nick was a life member of the Elks as well as the Knights of Columbus.

Sympathy cards and condolences may be sent to Mrs. Patricia Piegaro, 5558 Palm Beach Blvd., Lot 111, Fort Myers, FL 33905. We appreciate, more than words can say, everyone's love and support during this very difficult time.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday October 6, 2012 at 11:00 AM at Blessed Pope John XXIII Catholic Church. 13060 Palomino Lane, Fort Myers.

Mass in New Jersey will take Place on Saturday, October 20, 2012, at 2:00 PM at OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, 159 Oliver Street, Newark, NJ 07105. Please join us immediately following at a repast to celebrate Poppy at PALS CABIN., 265 Prospect Avenue, West Orange, NJ 07052. DIRECTIONS are as follows. To OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, take the Garden State Parkway north or south to exit 145 (280). Take 280 EAST to The M L King Blvd exit, exit 14 (toward Broad street station, Rutgers University, Essex County College). Turn right onto Martin Luther King Blvd. less than a mile turn

left onto Market Street. Go 1/2 mile and turn right onto Route 21 (McCarter Hwy). Go 1/2 mile to Oliver Street and make a left. 159 Oliver street.

DIRECTIONS TO PALS CABIN FROM CHURCH: Go Southeast on Oliver towards Jefferson St., turn left onto Adams St.( .5 mile), turn right onto Ferry St., (.5 mile), take 1st left onto Jackson St. ( .4 mile), Jackson St. becomes Frank E. Rodgers Blvd., (.6 mile), turn left onto Bergen St. and merge onto 280 WEST. Go 6.7 miles to exit 8B (Prospect Ave). PALS CABIN is less than 1/2 mile on your left.

Funeral arrangements under the direction of Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc., 4224 Cleveland Ave, Suite 1, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 239-274-0088. Online condolences may be made at [www.gendronfuneralhome.com](http://www.gendronfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ Nick Piegaro

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ Nick Piegaro

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ I will always have you in my heart papa nick. xoxoxoxo You will be missed by all.

The Harris (Cesareo) Family - October 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ We just found out today, Pat. We have been on the road, but when I saw your Facebook entry, I felt a deep sob and wished I could give you a big hug. Nick's personality was bigger than life: he will always be in our memory. I will be in touch soon. Love, Barbara Blanchard

Barbara A. Blanchard & Arthur A. Siciliano - October 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM



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Barbara A. Blanchard & Arthur A. Siciliano - October 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Pat, Cindi, Collen, & Tricia, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time. I had the pleasure to spend many years around Poppy Nick. He was a fun and loving person to be around. He will be missed by all.

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**Jackie Cangelosi** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ A very sweet man. We will think of you often and miss you very much.

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**FRED AND CONNIE SANDERS LOT 282** - October 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Both loving and fun-loving, we know Nick will be missed here on Earth but Heaven will be joyful. Deepest sympathies to the whole family.

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**Brenda Rorvig, Jessica, Cheyenne and Jasmine** - October 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ My son and I were so fortunate to meet Nick at Blessed Pope John church. Scottie is handicapped and Nick was drawn to him the first time we attended 11:15 mass. He brought him several Beanie Babies and always made sure to say hello to him and shake his hand. Nick's acceptance and concern for Scottie always warmed my heart. My sympathy to Pat, who also came to me with a hug when she saw us at mass. Nick will be missed, but I know he has a special place in heaven. He was such a wonderful man.

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**Sandy & Scottie Woods** - October 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Pat, We are so sorry for your and your family's loss of "Teddy Bear". We will never forget him either. We knew him as a kind and gentle soul. What a great friend, husband, father, and grandfather. Even though God has called him home, you will see him again. We wish you all the strength necessary to get thru these times. Our love to you - hugs, kisses, and prayers. Bob, Genevieve (Jennie), and Colonel Tim Kohn.

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**Bob & Genevieve (Jennie) Kohn** - October 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ We were so sad to hear of Nick's passing. He was a wonderful man with a great sense of humor. He will be missed. Our Deepest sympathies to all of you.

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**Riley & Gina** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Tricia and Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. Poppy Nick was such a pleasure to know. I remember him fondly. My thoughts and prayers are with you!!!

*All my love to you and your family!!1*

*Lisa*

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**Lisa Remelgado-Lance** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ will never forget my friend Nick

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**Cathy Aprons** - October 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ Dear Patricia and Family,  
I am so sorry for the passing of Mr. Piegaro. He was a wonderful man. I still remember him very well from when I went to Paul's school. I will continue to keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

Ann

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**Ann Velasco** - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Nick A. Piegaro.

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October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Our thoughts and prayers to you Pat and all your family...we are very sorry for your loss...  
(Lot 283)

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**Richard & Darlene Patrick** - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you all, but I know my little 'out-law' will always be watching over us.

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**Joan Scranton and Family** - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Pat  
I am so sorry about Nick. He will be greatly missed.

BETTY #121

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**betty higgins** - October 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of you. I knew Nick as a parent and school worker at bingo at St. Paul the Apostle in Irvington, NJ. He was always such a kind, funny and patient man. He always had a good word for everyone. He always talked of his wonderful wife and children and he was very well liked.*

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**Arlene Slobecheski** - September 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Tricia and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. I just recently lost my Dad and empathize with all that you are going through.*

*Love,  
Sherrie Reading*

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**Sherrie Reading** - September 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JU

“ *"ABC" I will miss you. You are a great brother-in-law. Watch over all of us.*

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**Judy** - September 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Magic happens when two hearts become connected, and memories cannot be erased. Time and prayers are the key to healing and pain. I offer you both. You are in my thought, hearts and prayers. Rest in peace, Godfather. Your niece, Cathy*

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**Cathy Piegario Cetrulo** - September 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Pat we are very sorry for your loss. Nick was sure a great guy, and loved by all. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Love Jan and Dick

Janice (Jan) & Dick Waters - September 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Tricia,  
My heart and prayers go with you and your family. May his memories warm you, may you feel him looking over you from heaven

Loretta Grace - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ When it's translated back to english, it loses a little something... but my final farewell is written in chinese... cause. well. you. know....  
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Sun?????.....?? ???????,?????????,????????? ?????????? ????  
I will light a candle at the end of Butler tonight... look for it Uncle Nicki.

Suzy - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Hi Pat we fell so bad about your loss ,He was a great freind , We will miss him LOve Chick & Ollie Bond

Chick & Ollie Bond - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Writing about someone is never easy especially when they are gone. But today I am happy to be able to do it because it means I was lucky enough to know Nick Piegaro. I knew him as my favorite Uncle. Uncle Nick was by far the most fun loving person to be around. All the years we were growing up he never had a problem with us being there. He always made us feel like he wanted us there and he knew how to keep us all happy. I wish in the past few years I could have seen him more but I did get to talk to him and he knew I still loved him. I remember Uncle Nick always asking us who our Favorite Uncle was. I am glad that my answer was always who else but him would be my favorite uncle. Another famous line of his I remember was when he was with my mom. He always used to tell her how they had to stick together because they were the Scranton outlaws.

But the most important thing I want to say now is all I am thinking about is my wonderful Aunt Pat. She was able to love a man so much and have that love returned to her so deeply. I dont think Uncle Nick could have been as happy as he was if it weren't for her. He always felt he was the luckiest man and was never afraid to tell anyone. He couldn't have had such a great fulfilling life if it weren't for his wife Aunt Pat and his 3 children Cindi, Colleen and Tricia. Not to mention his wonderful grandchildren and his new great grandchild due any day now. He may not get to meet her here but I am sure he will always watch over her. Love you all!

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**Patricia Pierce** - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Will never forget my Uncle Nick. He was so much fun and when it came to us kids, he was big softee. He would take us out for ice cream, go bowling and we'd have so much fun with him. Miss him dearly. With love and sympathy, Eileen

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**Eileen Woerner** - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ *All our sympathy at your great loss. You are all in our prayers.* ”

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**Susan and Monroe Kebart** - September 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM