

Andrew Y. Nickolatos

March 12, 1928 - January 1, 2017

ANDREW Y. "ANDY" NICKOLATOS
MARCH 12, 1928 – JANUARY 1, 2017

Andrew Y. "Andy" Nickolatos, 88, passed away peacefully Sunday at John Muir Medical Center in Walnut Creek surrounded by his family, following an accidental fall three days before Christmas.

Andy was born to Andrew and Irene Nickolatos in San Francisco and lived his entire life in the Vallejo and Benicia communities. He attended local schools and graduated from Vallejo High School. He attended University of San Francisco and served in the U.S. Army.

He worked for many years with his late brothers, Jerry and Danny, in the retail produce and liquor store industries in Vallejo and owned and operated the Black & White Liquor Store on 1st Street in Benicia for several years. Andy later owned and operated Tri-City Liquor Distributing and was a sales representative for Julliard Alpha Wholesale Liquor Distributors. One of Andy's many passions was gardening, and upon retirement, he co-founded and co-operated Jack & Andy's Yard Maintenance Service with his buddy, Jack Stiltz. Andy passed away doing what he loved to do...making yards beautiful for people he cared for.

Andy was extremely proud of his Greek heritage and enjoyed many trips to Greece. One of his and his wife, Bobbie's proudest moments was attending the Olympic Games in Greece in 2004. He and Bobbie also enjoyed traveling to many other countries including France, Italy, Egypt and Mexico as well as traveling to fun and exciting cities in the U.S. such as Boston, New York and New Orleans.

He was an avid duck hunter and thoroughly enjoyed his annual hunting trip to Canada with Jack. He was fortunate to have just returned from this trip in late September. He was also a true horse racing fan, enjoying the "Game of Kings" and an avid fan of the New York Yankees and De La Salle football. He also enjoyed being a member of the Native Sons in Benicia.

Andy was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Jerry and Danny Nickolatos; and his son, Steve Silva.

Survivors include his wife of 38 years Bobbie Lynn; sons, Andrew III, James and Mark Nickolatos, and Kenny and Greg (Michele) Silva; grandchildren, Andrew IV (Grecia), Cory and Morgan Nickolatos, and Michael and Kaylyn Silva; great grandchildren Andreas, Luciano and Italia Nickolatos; and his dog and walking companion "Setti".

Visitation will be held 2-8 p.m. Thursday, January 5 and funeral service will be held 12 noon Friday, January 6 at Twin Chapels Mortuary, 1100 Tennessee St., Vallejo. Burial will be private at Sacramento Valley VA National Cemetery, Dixon.

Memorial contributions are preferred to Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 1224 Alabama St., Vallejo 94590.

Arrangements entrusted to the direction and care of Twin Chapels Mortuary,

Vallejo (707) 552-6696. www.TwinChapelsMortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Sacramento Valley VA National Cemetery

5810 Midway Road
Dixon, CA 95620

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Twin Chapels Mortuary
1100 Tennessee Street
Vallejo, CA 94590
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Funeral Service

JAN 6. 12:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ I love you Andy and will miss your smile.

Diane Boatman - January 05, 2017 at 08:55 PM

DL

“ I've known Andy many years and he always had great stories. When I worked for the City he was always around in his little truck so that I could say hi. One time he asked me if I knew anybody in the City that could trim a tree at 13th Street. I told him that I'll see what I can do. Lo and behold I drove by it a month or so later and it was trimmed, not from any input from me. I just had to make sure the next time I saw him that I asked if he saw the tree, when he said yes, I said "you are welcome, is there anything else you need done?" The look on his face was priceless. He is in good company now, rest in peace Andy.
Dennis Lewis

Dennis Lewis - January 05, 2017 at 06:34 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew Y. Nickolatos.



January 05, 2017 at 03:49 PM

DB

“ I will miss your smile and wonderful stories about "old" Benicia
Diane Boatman

Diane Boatman - January 05, 2017 at 01:04 AM

DL

“ *My Life Long Friend, Brother, And Mentor!---Kalinihta---Be Seeing You!*

David Lavezzo

David Lavezzo - January 04, 2017 at 08:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Andrew Y. Nickolatos.*



January 04, 2017 at 04:03 PM

TM

“ *Count me as another bottle seller that Andy won't have to deal with anymore. He never seemed too happy to see me or my bottles. He thought I should be selling them at "another" store. I tried to explain to him that his store was closer and I didn't have to haul my little wagon up any hills. Plus I hardly ever found the big 5 cent gold mine bottles, just the regular 3 cent ones. And Andy had all that delicious candy just staring at us from the candy counter. He didn't seem to appreciate that I was ridding the park of all those dangerous bottles before the motorcycle gangs could throw them. Rest in Peace my friend. All my love to Bobby Lynn and family.*

Terry McInerney

Terry McInerney - January 03, 2017 at 10:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Andrew Y. Nickolatos.*



January 03, 2017 at 04:08 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Andrew Y. Nickolatos.*



January 03, 2017 at 01:08 PM



“ *Benicia has lost one of its best, Bobbie Lynn & family, friends have lost someone very much loved and cared about. May God give you the extra strength and peace to get thru this very sad difficult time and the days ahead as you grieve and adjust. Rest In Peace Andy.*



Carol King - January 03, 2017 at 10:32 AM



“ *Kevin and Carol Lyons purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Andrew Y. Nickolatos.*



Kevin and Carol Lyons - January 02, 2017 at 10:14 PM

JR

“ He seemed like he would live forever.
He was a neat guy. Great Sense of humor. Tender hearted.
So sorry for your loss.
Rest in Peace Andreas
love, Jan Rodillas

Janice Rodillas - January 02, 2017 at 10:06 PM



“ To think that we were having so much fun and laughing with you
and Andy just five days before his accident. Will never forget Andy,
he was always smiling, had great stories, always asked about
Shane and grandkids. He was such a wonderful man! Our hearts
are breaking with you and for you, Bobby. Love you

Charrene Steinback - January 02, 2017 at 09:07 PM

DB

*I love you Andy. You always made me laugh. We will miss you so
much. Harold and Diane Boatman*

Diane Boatman - January 02, 2017 at 10:58 PM

BG

“ *Bobbie, and family, I am truly sorry to hear the passing of my friend
Senor Andy. He was a great guy and his humor, laugh and smile will
be missed. On behalf of the Glover family please accept my
deepest condolences.*

Billy Glover - January 02, 2017 at 04:18 PM

KG

“ Andy always had a joke to tell and a smile on his face. Great memories of him at Black and White.

Ken Gonsalves

Ken Gonsalves - January 02, 2017 at 02:21 PM

NC

“ RIP Andy...I'll always treasure the Black and White memories of you..

Nancy LewisCore

Nancy Core - January 02, 2017 at 10:18 AM



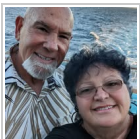
“ We are very sorry to hear of the loss of your loved one Andy, we will miss his smile and his fun stories! May His Soul Rest In Peace! With Love, Deme Stall-Nash and Family

Deme Stall-Nash - January 02, 2017 at 04:18 AM

CD

So sorry for your loss I will i,will miss seeing Andy around town. Heven always had a kind words to sayou and his big smile truly missed. REST IN PEACE ANDY. Charlene Dinsdale

Charlene dinsdale - January 02, 2017 at 09:56 AM



“ Andy was a very proud Greek man, that always had a big smile on his face, and some of the best stories of his adventures in his life! Our Condolences go out to all of his family and friends! He will be missed by many!

May his soul rest in peace.

With Love, Deme Stall- Nash and family

Deme Stall-Nash - January 02, 2017 at 04:16 AM



“ *Melissa Green lit a candle in memory of Andrew Y. Nickolatos*



Melissa Green - January 02, 2017 at 03:00 AM

MD

“ *RIP Andy lots of memories...Condolences to the Family*

Mike Drennon - January 01, 2017 at 11:26 PM

DO

“ *RIP Andy. Growing up has a young chid. Andy owned Black and White liquor store. My dad would take myself and my cousin. to drop off glass bottles. Also pick up bottles memories will always be in my heart. My prayers to Bobby Lynn and family.*

Darla O'Donnell - January 01, 2017 at 09:10 PM

GL

Sorry. To. Here about Andy he was a nice and a fun guy to be around we. Had good times at the. Black& White. Sorry. Bobbie

Gary. Lemas - January 01, 2017 at 11:26 PM

DM

“ *RIP Andy. My condolences to Bobbie Lynn and the kids & grandkids. I never saw Andy that he wasn't smiling and asking how the family was. He & Bobbie introduced me to Greek food when I attended a birthday party for him in Napa once. Andy will truly be missed.*

Donell Mannor - January 01, 2017 at 08:27 PM

JM

Bobby, JoAnn and I send our deepest condolences to you and your family. Andy was a "Good Guy" in every sense of the word. He will be greatly missed. I consider it a privilege to have known him. This is another tragedy for the Smith sisters to overcome and I'm sure you will do just that See you all on Friday Jim Mortensen

Jim Mortensen - January 03, 2017 at 06:41 PM

ME

*Another Benicia treasure trove gone from our view. He was everywhere---shopping at the Safeway or out walking the dog. He knew everyone - and we all knew who Andy! He and Bobby Lynn were a fun couple. She will have all those memories flooding in to fill the void. To Kenny, Greg and all family members - our love and prayers and sympathy for your loss.
Marie Earp and the Earp Family*

Marie Earp - January 05, 2017 at 11:27 PM

JR

*Dear Bobby, I was so sad to hear of Andy's passing. Have thought of the both of you many times over the past years. You are my prayers. He was a great guy, a lot of fond memories.. .rest in peace, Andy. Love
Jo Ann Ramos*

Jo Ann Ramos - January 06, 2017 at 10:16 AM

DH

Great memories and many jokes and stories!! Talked with him in Front of Jacks Antiques on 1st St. with Dog in tow. Dan Horan

Dan Horan - January 06, 2017 at 04:29 PM