



Nicholas Athanasidy

April 21, 1934 - August 17, 2022

Nicholas Athanasidy, 88, a longtime resident of Riverdale in the Bronx, passed away peacefully on August 17, 2022.

He was married to Janet Athanasidy (nee Kelly) for 66 years and they had 4 children. Nicholas graduated from Aviation High School, where he discovered his love of literature, and he received his bachelor's degree from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice. Nicholas served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War, and made lifelong friends in the service.

Nicholas had a long and successful career in the New York City Police Department, where he rose to the rank of Lieutenant before retiring after 37 years. He was wounded in the line of duty, foiled at least one bank robbery, successfully assisted in the delivery of several children, and was blessed to love his profession.

Nicholas resided in the Bronx for his entire life, was a member of St. Gabriel's parish, and was an early and committed supporter of the Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (which his wife co-founded). After retiring from the NYPD, Nicholas embarked on his second career as a devoted grandfather, and he enjoyed even greater success in that line of work.

He is survived by the love of his life, Janet, his sister-in-law Elizabeth of

Cowley, Wyoming, his three children, William, Robert and Janet, ten grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and daughters- and son-in-law.

A memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 10 AM at St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, 5188 N.Y. 23, Windham, N.Y. 12496. Donations in Nicholas's memory may be made to the Kingsbridge Heights Community Center at 3101 Kingsbridge Terrace, Bronx, NY 10463 or online at <https://www.khcc-nyc.org/donate>.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Richards Funeral Home of the Mid-Hudson Valley, Inc. 29 Bross Street, Cairo, New York, 12413. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

AUG **25**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Theresa Of The Child Jesus
5188 N.Y. 23
Windham , NY 12496

Tribute Wall



“ Margaret Reinold lit a candle in memory of Nicholas Athanasidy



Margaret Reinold - August 26, 2022 at 12:58 PM



My deepest condolences to Mrs. Athanasidy and all of her family. Mr. Athanasidy was a great man. May he Rest in Peace. - Margaret Reinold

Margaret Reinold - August 26, 2022 at 12:59 PM

JM

Thank you so much!

Janet Moran - September 12, 2022 at 10:26 AM

PJ

“ Paul R. Seney, Jr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Nicholas Athanasidy



Paul R. Seney, Jr. - August 24, 2022 at 12:32 PM

PJ

The Entire Staff of Richards Funeral Home of the Mid-Hudson Valley, Inc. sends its deep condolences to The Family of Nicholas Athanasidy at this most difficult time.

Paul R. Seney, Jr. - August 24, 2022 at 12:36 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories*



Richards Funeral Home of the Mid Hudson Valley Inc. - August 24, 2022 at 12:21 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *United States Air Force Memories*



Richards Funeral Home of the Mid Hudson Valley Inc. - August 24, 2022 at 12:21 PM