



## Paul Leroy Nichols Jr.

March 7, 1945 - November 2, 2024

Paul Leroy Nichols, Jr., was born in St. Petersburg, FL on March 7, 1945. Although raised as an only child, Paul's extended family (especially his cousins) more than made up for siblings of his own. Paul also has roots in Two Egg, FL. He loved to visit Two Egg and hear the stories of his grandfather's store and of his own Dad, Aunts, and Uncles.

Paul was a proud graduate of St. Petersburg High School and went on to attend Florida State University. He graduated from FSU in 1967 with a Bachelor's in Marketing. While at FSU, he was an active member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity and until his death remained a loyal supporter and brother, serving in various capacities. He especially loved reunions with his brothers, including monthly lunches where there was lots of FSU sports talk.

After graduating from FSU, Paul returned to St. Petersburg and began a career with Honeywell. Several years later he returned to Tallahassee where he remained for the next 51 years. To say he loved all things FSU is an understatement. He was an avid attendee at FSU sporting events, theater productions, musical productions, and so much more.

Paul continued his career in Tallahassee with the State of Florida, as well as a brief time as a realtor, and retired as the Director of Human Resources from the Florida Legislature. He has so many lasting friendships from his work life

that he cherished.

Paul has been a lifelong Methodist and was a member at Trinity United Methodist Church. He loved working with the youth group and teaching college aged Sunday School in his younger days when he was a member at Killlearn Methodist Church. He was an example to his children of sacrificial service and faith in Jesus.

During his life, Paul was also an active member of OLLI, Seminole Boosters, University Center Club, Kiwanis, Springtime Tallahassee, Killlearn Country Club, and a supporter of local charities.

Paul and his wife, Pat, were married for 37 years and were rarely seen without one another. He was the proud father of Lee Nichols and Christy Flury. He enjoyed and loved his daughter-in-law, Lisa Nichols, and son-in-law, Jim Flury. He was also loved and known as Pepaw to his four grandchildren: Conner Flury, Hannah Nichols, Ben Flury, and Emilie Nichols. Paul has numerous “family” members- friends as close as family. Nothing more he loved than spending time with people.

Paul is preceded in death by his father, Paul Leroy Nichols, Sr. and mother, Maude Spence Nichols.

He will be sorely missed by those he has left behind.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at Bevis Funeral Home Chapel. The family will receive friends following the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at MeadowWood Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Paul’s honor to support Florida State University at [give.fsu.edu](https://give.fsu.edu)

The service will be available to view live online at <https://www.bevisfh.com>. To watch, click on the word Obituaries at the top of the homepage, then click on the name of your loved one, and then the green Photos and Videos tab.

Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the Nichols family with their

arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## MeadowWood Memorial Park

700 Timberlane Rd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32312

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory  
200 John Knox Rd  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 385-2193

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Paul Leroy Nichols Jr.*

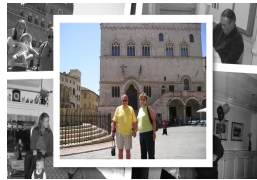


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“ Paul has been a friend for many years. He had a remarkable memory for names, music, musicians and events. He and Pat were one of the most active couples I've ever had the pleasure to be associated with and you would expect them to be at FSU baseball, lady basketball, football, OLLI and many other events in Tallahassee. Most of all, Paul was dedicated to his family and proud to relate their accomplishments. He will be missed by many persons he called friends. Rest in peace Paul.

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**Ken Wilson** - November 08, 2024 at 08:05 AM

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“ Paul was the kindest, gentlest soul I knew. He made you feel important as you spent time with him. His values were always right on the mark and his integrity always shone through. I will miss him dearly. David Pepper

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**David Pepper** - November 07, 2024 at 03:04 PM