



## Wade R. Nicodemus

April 7, 1928 - March 23, 2020

Wade Richardson Nicodemus, 91, of Mason City passed away on Monday, March 23, 2020 at his home. He was born on April 7, 1928 in Chicago to Charles "Pops" Nicodemus and Treva Richardson. He married Lois Ross on July 3, 1954 at the Macomb Christian Church.

Mr. Nic is survived by his wife, Lois, six children: Doug (Kathy Hobart) Nicodemus of Riverton, Illinois, Steve Nicodemus of Mason City, Paul Nicodemus of Florida, Mike (Mary) Nicodemus of Mason City, Patty (Tim) Trabue of Mason City, and Joann Nicodemus of Florida, seven grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Charles Nicodemus.

Mr. Nic was a member of the 1st Christian Church of Mason City where he served as Sunday School Superintendent for many years. He attended high school in the Chicago area and graduated from Western Teacher's Academy in 1953 as a chemistry/biology teacher. He taught science in Ashland from 1953 to 1954 and at Mason City High School and Mason City Middle School from 1954 to 1983. He published the book Sanitation for Food Service Workers with his mother.

Mr. Nic loved all kinds of music, especially Dixieland. He liked watching all Chicago sports, especially the White Sox, playing cards, crossword puzzles,

reading, feeding the squirrels, and eating at the restaurant downtown. He had two cats, Blue Boy and Marble Head. He was named as Optimist Man of the Year and Grand Marshal of the Prairie Harvest Parade twice.

Private graveside services have been arranged. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Nic's name to Mason City Christian Salt & Light, St. Jude Run from Mason City to Peoria, or the Courtney Thomas Scholarship fund. Online condolences can be left for the family at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com).

Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wade R. Nicodemus*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Chrissy Hutchison lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus*



**Chrissy Hutchison** - June 19, 2020 at 01:48 PM



“ *Great person, great teacher, great friend. .will miss him .Will wear a wild or mismatched sock in memory of him.*

**Roger** - March 28, 2020 at 10:32 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers to the family...Mr. Nic touched so many lives in such a positive way.*



**Beth** - March 28, 2020 at 08:20 AM

DQ

“ 6 kids and decades of teaching that stretched backed to my mother's school days; Wow, this man touched a lot of lives. Thanks, Nic  
Debbie Quick



Debbie Quick - March 27, 2020 at 06:17 PM

EA

“ Mr Nick and Lois have been very close friends and a great influence in my life since I was fortunate enough to have him for my teacher. He will be sadly missed.

Erin Aldrich - March 26, 2020 at 07:31 PM

KD

“ Just one of the nicest men I have ever had the pleasure to know. Thanks Mr Nic for my Chemistry gift ❤️ I remember you with only great memories .

Kathy Donovan - March 26, 2020 at 01:06 PM

JM

“ Jean Proctor Meikle lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus



Jean proctor Meikle - March 26, 2020 at 10:45 AM

Luann  
Douglas

“ *Luann Douglas lit a candle in memory of  
Wade R. Nicodemus*



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**Luann Douglas** - March 25, 2020 at 11:50 PM

TJ

“ *I hadn't seen him since 1961 when I had to move to Chicago; but, I  
always heard about him from John Rutledge. Great guy! His  
influence on me relative to science stayed with me always.*  
*Ted Jennings*

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**Ted Jennings** - March 25, 2020 at 01:59 PM

EL

“ *ELAINE LONG lit a candle in memory of  
Wade R. Nicodemus*



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**ELAINE LONG** - March 25, 2020 at 12:24 PM

JC

“ *Dear Lois and family,  
Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your dear  
husband. Such a special person and wonderful teacher who I will  
always remember fondly. Love and hugs, Jane Copper-Short*

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**Jane Copper-Short** - March 25, 2020 at 11:18 AM

DM

“ *Darlene (seward) Miller lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus*



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**darlene (seward) miller** - March 25, 2020 at 10:43 AM

RO

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Nicodemus family. So very sorry for the loss of Mr. Nic. He was a one of a kind!*

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**Ron & Candy Ogden** - March 25, 2020 at 10:09 AM

KG

“ *Sorry for your loss Mike ,Lois & family.*

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**Koki Gephart** - March 25, 2020 at 09:21 AM

KG

“ *Koki Gephart lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus*



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**Koki Gephart** - March 25, 2020 at 09:20 AM

JA

“ *Lois & Nicodemus Family  
You are all in our prayers at Mr. Nic' s homegoing. We are grateful to have known Nic. He will be missed.*

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**Jack & Jackie Anderson** - March 25, 2020 at 09:07 AM

LH

“ Larry And Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus



Larry and Mary Hundt - March 25, 2020 at 08:50 AM

KK

“ Kraig Krause lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus



Kraig Krause - March 25, 2020 at 07:40 AM

BR

“ Barb Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus



Barb Rodgers - March 25, 2020 at 12:17 AM

MA

“ Mary Ann Andrews lit a candle in memory of Wade R. Nicodemus



Mary Ann Andrews - March 24, 2020 at 11:11 PM

MA

“ Dear Lois and family,  
So very sorry to hear of Mr. Nic's passing. We are so blessed knowing him as a friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Ken & Mary Ann Andrews

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**Mary Ann Andrews** - March 24, 2020 at 11:09 PM

PH

“ I never had Mr. Nic as a teacher. I was a Forman Brave. I only knew Mr. Nic after we moved to Mason City, thirty years ago. I still learned alot from him and his devoted wife, Lois. I learned to not get a hurry. It was ok and fun to wear silly socks to put a smile on someone's face. The main thing I learned from them is "Love the Lord". Nic and Lois are the finest examples of that love. My sympathy to Lois and family. RIP Mr. Nic.  
Pat Harris

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**PATRICIA A HARRIS** - March 24, 2020 at 10:23 PM

LR

*Mr. Nic was one of a kind...and will be missed.*

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**Linda Rumler** - March 25, 2020 at 09:33 AM

RS

*Sorry for your loss. Mr. Nic was a great man. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. RIP Mr. Nic*

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**Roni Sullivan** - March 25, 2020 at 10:57 PM

JP

*Words don't begin to express how much Mr. Nic meant to us as his students. He was such an inspiration to all of us who became teachers. Thanks for all you did!*

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**Jeannine k Pickering** - March 27, 2020 at 04:17 PM