



Nicholaos Spiros Apostolopoulos

September 22, 1940 - December 17, 2019

Nicholaos Spiros Apostolopoulos, 79, of Asheville died on December 17, 2019. He was born September 22, 1940 in Agios Andreas, a small village outside of Karpenisi, Evritania in Greece.

Moving to the United States when he was 18 years old, he went on to graduate from Asheville Biltmore College (now UNC-A) with a degree in mathematics. Nick spent many years teaching high school at AC Reynolds High School. He also owned and operated Rooster Kogburn's restaurant in Asheville. Loyalty to his family always came first. He loved to laugh and make others laugh.

He is survived by his son, Spiro Apostolopoulos and his wife, Holly; granddaughter, Julia; brother, Andrew Apostolopoulos and sisters Chrysoula Pappas and Demetra Hatjioannou. He was preceded in death by his parents, Spiros and Maria Apostolopoulos and brother, Arthur Apostolopoulos.

A funeral service will be held 11:00 AM, Friday, December 20, 2019 at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. Interment will follow at Riverside Cemetery. The family extends invitation to join them in a Makaria luncheon following interment in the Morris Hellenic Cultural Center.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the American Heart Association w

ww.heart.org.

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care, 304 Merrimon Avenue is in charge of

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
227 Cumberland Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
<http://www.holytrinityasheville.com/>

Makaria Luncheon

DEC 20. 12:45 PM (ET)

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox & MHCC Event Center
227 Cumberland Ave
Asheville, NC 28801-1735
(828) 254-7424

Tribute Wall



“ *Nicholaos Spiros Apostolopoulos*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Nick's death. I met Nick not long after he came to America. He was anxious to learn to read, write and speak English and practiced it a lot that summer. He wanted to go to high school and enrolled at Lee Edwards that fall. After graduating, he enrolled at Asheville-Biltmore and received his degree. He taught math at Reynolds.*

Throughout his schooling, he never stopped working. He worked at McDonald's and other restaurants and helped open The Athens on Merrimon Avenue.

He loved John Wayne, thus the name Rooster Kogburn for his restaurant. He was a hard worker and will be missed. He loved his family and was proud of their accomplishments.

Marlene Allison - December 20, 2019 at 05:32 PM



My Deepest Sympathy to NICK'S Family. My Dad.was the manager of McDonalds, and Nick worked for him. I remember Dad speaking highly of Nick. My Prayers are with you Dear Family

Carolyn Taylor Moore - December 22, 2019 at 03:08 PM



“ *My condolences to the family 🙏 I was a big supporter of the restaurant Rooster Cogburn they had the best Gyro and Greek salad in the world I ate at the restaurant at least once a week. Mr. nick you will be greatly missed. prayers out to your family 🙏*

Freddie white - December 19, 2019 at 04:31 PM

JP

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family..I worked for Nick as a waitress back in the 90's he was a wonderful boss I saw him a few weeks ago and I reminded him of who I was and he gave me a big hug..he will be greatly missed and I will remember him fondly...*



Jennifer price - December 19, 2019 at 02:08 PM

GH

“ *My deepest sympathy to Nick's family and friends. My Father, the late Francis Huntley, Principal at Reynolds High School in the late 1960s and Nick were good friends. Nick touched many lives and leaves a lasting legacy. Once again, my deepest sympathy.*



*Gerry Huntley
Class of 1965
A. C. Reynolds High School*

GERRY HUNTLEY - December 19, 2019 at 01:23 AM

SM

“ *Whether at Reynolds High School, Rooster Cogburns, or walking at the Asheville Mall, you were always guaranteed a smile and kind word from Mr. Poulas. I'm sorry to hear of his passing and hope that family and close friends find peace and comfort in the difficult days ahead.*

Sara Hefner Moss - December 18, 2019 at 11:08 PM

SC

“ So sad to hear of Mr. Apostolopoulos passing. He was a wonderful teacher. I have good memories of him at AC Reynolds High School. My prayers go out to his family. He was such a nice man.

*Suzanne F. Colbert-McWhirter
Class of 1973
A C Reynolds High School*

Suzanne Colbert-McWhirter - December 18, 2019 at 09:20 PM

CB

“ So very sorry to hear of Mr. Apostolopoulos death. He was a great teacher and I remember him well in the halls of A.C. Reynolds High School He was a wonderful person. May you all find comfort in knowing he is in heaven today and at rest. God bless you all.

*Cathy Gosnell Blackwell
Class of 1974
A.C. Reynolds High School*

Cathy Blackwell - December 18, 2019 at 08:17 PM