



## Nicklos Walter Roetto

January 17, 1939 - June 25, 2025

Nicklos "Nick" Walter Roetto, age 86, cherished husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, left this earth to be with his Savior, Jesus on June 25, 2025. Nick passed comfortably at Madrone Hospice Home in Yreka, CA.

Nick was born in Lebanon, MO, but spent most of his life in San Dimas and Redding, CA. Nick joined the Navy and was a drill instructor and martial arts trainer at Point Mugu Naval Air Station in Oxnard, CA.

He married Sandra J McIntyre, on April 14, 1962. They had three sons, Nicklos V Roetto (Kimberly), Randy D Roetto (Christina) and Ricky D Roetto. Nick and Sandy spent their marriage together in ministry. They met at Pomona, CA First Baptist Church, having been introduced by Sandy's older sister, and knew they were meant to be together. As a young couple in love they began holding hands in church and continued that show of love and dedication to each other for the rest of their lives.

Nick assumed many positions as a member of PFB starting with church groups, such as a deacon. He formed a successful car club for teens and gave his time in other capacities as Associate Pastor, conducting Prayer and Bible Studies, and working with the youth. He was humbled to have a role in forming a Crisis Pregnancy Center, and small churches in rural Northern California. Nick, their sons and Sandy spent many hours boating, fishing and skiing at their favorite lakes, Whiskey Town and Shasta Lake. Nick loved to hunt deer with his hunting buddies, son Nick, and memorable times with Nicklas, his grandson. They all could talk about their hunting stories over and

over! His other sons went a few times but their interest lie elsewhere. Another huge love of Nick's was classic cars, which turned our front drive and back yard into our own car lot, but sold successfully. Gardening was a success for him. He loved having the grandchildren planting at a young age with him. Harvesting was satisfying and sharing with neighbors. Of course cooking and snacking on fresh produce was pretty nice. During these years, he was called by many "the Grizz", having resembled the actor. Through the years he spent his time supporting his family in aerospace and construction. He was known and excelled as a "Master of all Trades".

Nick's "sweet years" and a treasure to his heart were the years he was on staff at Pomona First Baptist Elementary School. He was affectionately called "Mr. Nick" by students, teachers and parents. Nick filled many roles and got things done with Mrs. Nancy Salverda, his strong supporter and defender. They remained friends for the rest of her life. Nick conducted chapel times and counseling with the students and even parents when asked. His sons attended school and Sandy was church hostess, so it was a complete "family package" at PFBS. Every Christmas for 50 years, Nick arrived playing Santa Claus, delivering trees along with the best "Ho ho ho" ever! He came with a jolly Merry Christmas to kids and parents wearing his two custom made St. Nick suites throughout the years. He processed a great sense of humor right to his final days making us laugh even when we thought he couldn't hear us talking or that he was asleep.

Nick is survived by his true love, best friend and lifetime partner for 63 years, Sandy. His three sons, five grandchildren, Nicklas A. Roetto, Heather Roetto (Cuthbertson), Tierra Roetto, fiance, Tim (Pease) Melissa Roetto, and Kruz Roetto. Great grand children, Gracie, Annie and Bradley Roetto.

Nick was proceeded in death by his loving granddaughter, Breanna L. Roetto, sister, Anita and his parents, Virgil and Gwen Roetto who passed when he was a teenager. He held a wonderful admiration for his sister in laws, Mary Ann, Linda, Claudine and Patti, making sure he knew they valued everything about him, especially for his love, care and protection of Sandy. His brother in

law, Terry McIntyre, considered Nick his best friend since they met as teenagers. Nick held close to his heart his many exceptional nephews and nieces who he experienced great times with throughout their lives. He prayed for them faithfully each day. Nick's bigger than life's presence and influence will prayerfully be a lasting testament of his life to his sons that he was proud of and looked up to as well as Sandy and his extended family.

A private family memorial service with military taps will be observed later. Pops, you will forever be loved and missed until we all meet again in our heavenly home!

# Tribute Wall

MT

“ *Each day, dear Sandy, may the Lord's love hold you, and His Holy Spirit encourage you, and may you be blessed by your wonderful family and friends.*

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**Much love, Bill and Sue Turner** - July 27, 2025 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *I had the blessing to reconnect from a distance with Nick & Sandy through Facebook recently, but they were our neighbors some years ago when I was a kid, I am 33 years old now and I think it speaks to a testament of their life story of how amazing they are, that they stuck with me all my years to reach out and find them through social media of all things all these years later. The lasting impact Nick has had playing such a "silly kids game" as "I Spy" truly shows how much taking the time, does in fact, matter most. It is those memories that are some of the fondest ones from that time of my life, and Nick and Sandy have always been so paramount, the way their marriage is, their fellowship of the Lord, and the example they gave to all. Also in reconnecting with them, it was only fitting to find out that my only son, Makya, happens to share a birthday with Nick, how funny that someone who played such a big role in my childhood, had a full circle moment later! I only wish I could've reconnected face to face before Nick's passing, but, I look forward to our heavenly reunion someday and I hope to visit with Sandy real soon!*

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**Kaitlynn Hunt** - July 25, 2025 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Nick was such an amazing man and so loved by all who were blessed to know him. Nick and Sandy were my neighbors when my kiddos were little. He was "Santa Nick" to them and the "I Spy" game master. For the parents on the block, he was the first to pray with you in tough moments and offer encouragement. He was very devoted to his family, especially to his wife Sandy, and what an amazing couple they were! They were the best role models of what a marriage should be, and on my 5th Wedding Anniversary vow renewal, my husband and I were so blessed that they both attended. Nick will be missed by all who were so blessed to have known him, and I know my son Joshua and his Granddaughter Brea were at Heavens Gate waiting to greet him. Thankfully it's not "goodbye", it's "until we meet again"... and until then, we have amazing memories. ❤️

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**Dianna Hunt** - July 22, 2025 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Nick and Sandy were our neighbors across the street growing up. Nick and I shared a birthday (January 17) and celebrated together often when I was younger. My brother, Cheyne, and I would always take pictures with him when he dressed as Santa, and told all our friends that we knew Santa personally with the photos to prove it! Haha. Nick and Sandy planted a seed in my life about God, that finally bloomed about 4 years ago. I'm so grateful that Nick and Sandy were put into my life. Nick's smile would light up the room, and Sandy has always been so caring. Thank you for being such positive influences in my life. Until we meet again ☐

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**Trista Beville** - July 21, 2025 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Nick was my favorite customer when I was working at the local State Farm office in Yreka. He would come in with a big smile on his face and brighten up my day. He was a wise Godly man with many stories to share all in which I listened to intensely like a child at story time. I never got back up to see him again, but I did manage to speak with him on the phone once. He was a wonderful man and he will be missed. Nick, I know you are up in Heaven with Our Father and enjoying the promise of eternal life. Sending hugs to Heaven. I will see you again one day. Fondly, Christine H.



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**Christine Hartwig** - July 20, 2025 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Mr Nick was a great man. He will be missed. I will never forget the time he sent me to the office for giving food away at lunch. He was very strict but loving. Mendy (Long) Peters

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**Mendy (Long) Peters** - July 17, 2025 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Nick treated as his own, when I was young I had gotten myself in some serious trouble and luckily Nick and Sandy were there when I needed them.  
That day I seen the anger, love, and fear for my safety in Nick's eyes.  
He will be always near my heart and missed by us all.

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**Earl Wallner** - July 17, 2025 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I loved calling him Mr.Nick and loved his hugs. I remember him helping me cross the busy street that the school was near. Beth (Salverda) Mitchell

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**Beth Mitchell** - July 17, 2025 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ 1979 was a highlight year for me -- I became a Christian, I met and married my husband, and I started a new job where I met the lovely Sandy Roetto. She and her husband, St Nick, became dear friends of my husband and me. We had so many good times with them-- eating Nick's tacos, spontaneous potlucks, and even a home church-style gathering in their home. I still have never found any fellowship to surpass that. We moved away and Sandy and I have stayed friends all these years. Oh how I love them both. I'm so sad that Nick has gone on before us; and so grateful for the wonderful privilege of his being my friend.

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**Sandy Too** - July 17, 2025 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Nicklos Walter Roetto** - July 17, 2025 at 12:00 AM