



## Mr. Daniel E. Nicolas

July 31, 1985 - October 14, 2020

Daniel Erick Nicolas was born on July 31st, 1985 in Washington, DC. He was the second child of Yvon and Elvie Nicolas. Though Daniel, affectionately known as “Dada” was the middle child of his family, he wore many “hats”, one of which was being the protector of his family. This was a position he took very seriously, yet on the other hand he also was the unofficial comedian of the family. He was well known by friends and family for his keen sense of humor. He loved to tell jokes and play pranks. Daniel attended primary and secondary schools in Montgomery County, MD and he graduated from Montgomery Blair High School in Silver Spring, MD. Daniel was an art enthusiast and enjoyed creating in different mediums: watercolor, acrylic and charcoal to include a few. Daniel also was passionate about music. In his younger days anywhere he went he was sure to carry his disc player and headphones. He loved to spend time with his family and seeing people happy. He was a great gift giver. He made sure to take his time and put in extra consideration when choosing a gift for a loved one. Daniel was also very competitive and active. He would participate in family game nights and video game competitions; with just one functional hand he could beat those that thought they were the best. Daniel had a fearless attitude and loved trying out new things. He didn't allow his condition to define him. He loved hard and made sure you knew you were loved by him. Daniel was born with sickle cell anemia. He spent his entire life battling this disease and the toll it took on his body. At the young age of 4 years old Daniel suffered his first stroke which led to his left arm no longer

being functional. Daniel went through numerous tests, trials and studies to find ways to correct his arm and cope with this disease. This was the biggest struggle of his life. On the morning of Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 12 am, Daniel Erick Nicolas went on to be with the Lord. Daniel was predeceased by his grandmothers on both sides: Amélie Joseph (Elvie) and Marie Lea Odette Nicolas (Yvon) who are waiting to welcome him with open arms. He is survived by his father Yvon Nicolas, his mother Elvie Nicolas, his siblings; Marie Michelle Nicolas, Emmanuel Nicolas, Margarete Acevero (Solomon), Marjorie Vandy (Augustine), his nieces; Amonnie, Amber, Jolie and nephews; Athan, Elisha and Joel and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Thank you all so much for celebrating Daniel's life with us.

# Cemetery Details

## GATE OF HEAVEN

13801 GEORGIA AVE  
SILVER SPRING, MD 20906

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

OCT **21**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel  
5538 MARLBORO PIKE  
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

## Funeral Service

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Daniel E. Nicolas*



**Pope Funeral Homes** - October 21, 2020 at 10:20 AM

KD

*This was a beautiful Funeral Service, a real tribute to Daniel's life. It was clear that Daniel was an inspiration to everyone he touched. This included my son, Danny. Sometimes when Elvie would come to my house she would bring over Daniel to play with my son Danny. They were only a month apart in age. The summer days my son Danny got to play with Daniel Nicolas are still some of Danny's favorite childhood memories. Danny still remembers their lemonade stands, video games(all of which Daniel won using only one hand) and running around and playing in our basement. Daniel was not only kind but he was up for any game my Danny would suggest. I still remember how well behaved Daniel was and how he had a smile that could melt your heart. I know how much Daniel will be missed but take comfort in knowing your family now has a special angel watching over all of you. Our prayers are with your whole family. Love, Kay and Joe Dugan*

**kay dugan** - October 21, 2020 at 12:33 PM



“ *Mr. Daniel E. Nicolas*

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mr. Daniel E. Nicolas*

January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM

LU

“ WE of the pain management clinic at Holy Cross Hospital just learned of Mr. Daniel's passage to eternity. We are heart broken of this sudden loss. We know and believe Mr. Daniel is in a better place; where there is no more struggles, pain or suffering. He was such an easy patient to work with.



Our condolences to the family. Please do take heart. We will miss our Mr. Daniel.

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**Lucia** - October 22, 2020 at 06:14 PM

KD

“ Daniel Nicolas's funeral was a real tribute to Daniel's life. It was clear that Daniel was an inspiration to everyone he touched. This included my son, Danny. Sometimes when Elvie would come to my house she would bring over Daniel to play with my son Danny. They were only a month apart in age. The summer days my son Danny got to play with Daniel Nicolas are still some of Danny's favorite childhood memories. Danny still remembers their lemonade stands, video games(all of which Daniel won using only one hand) and running around and playing in our basement. Daniel was not only kind but he was up for any game my Danny would suggest. I still remember how well behaved Daniel was and how he had a smile that could melt your heart. I know how much Daniel will be missed but take comfort in knowing your family now has a special angel watching over all of you. Our prayers are with your whole family.  
Love, Kay and Joe Dugan

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**kathleen Dugan** - October 21, 2020 at 01:03 PM



“ *With Our Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Daniel E. Nicolas.*



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October 21, 2020 at 07:14 AM



“ *My family and I have known Daniel since he was 4 years old; a sweet boy, always with a beautiful smile and a sudden joke that took you by surprise.*

*When he was 12 years old we worked together on a couple of paintings. He loved to draw and paint. One painting he donated to his church, another to the Lombardi Cancer Center of Georgetown University. I was especially touched by the ones he made of his parents and of his siblings. They were made with so much love.*

*When he was 26 we made a movie about his life with sickle cell anemia. He was still handsome and still flashing his beautiful smile.*

*A few years later I left the US and occasionally heard that he was still doing alright, despite his frequent hospitalizations.*

*I am grateful to have known Daniel and his family, beautiful people full of faith, love and compassion.*

*Sweet Daniel, rest in peace.  
raymonde van santen*

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**raymonde van santen** - October 19, 2020 at 09:05 AM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss, Jesus Christ Loves Me,  
We Love You



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**Thomas Widgeon** - October 17, 2020 at 02:46 PM

PA

*Our condolences to the Nicholas family. We know this is a very difficult time. May God give you strength and comfort. Love you- The Onodueze family*

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**Patricia** - October 21, 2020 at 10:16 AM

AS

*We did not meet Daniel often but I have known him since he was a little boy who suffered a devastating stroke before the age of five. We have followed how he went on battling adversity and so much pain, increasing pain without complaints. The last time I did see him, he radiated life but talked about faith and how the next life is actually better than this one. He was so confident! Daniel will always remain on our minds and we can but offer our most heartfelt condolences to his entire family, where we know he was deeply loved.*

*The Schwermer family  
November 1st, 2020*

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**Anne Schwermer** - November 01, 2020 at 07:19 PM