



## Roger Franklin Wickham

March 7, 1941 - March 24, 2022

Roger Franklin Wickham, was born to Nathaniel John Wickham, Jr. and Camille Jackson Dabney Wickham on March 7, 1941, in Richmond, Virginia. He was the youngest of their three sons and is pre-deceased in death by his oldest brother Nathaniel John Wickham, III.

Roger was a graduate of Maggie L. Walker High School. He honorably served his country when called upon during the peak years of the Vietnam War. During his tour of duty Roger earned several medals and badges highlighting his contributions while in action. After transitioning from the military service, Roger held several positions in the Richmond community, culminating in over 40 years of service with Hunter Holmes McGuire Veterans Administration Medical Center. His work ethic was second to none and he served as an exemplary role model to all who knew him.

The essence of Uncle Pete's (as he was fondly known to family) character was generosity to his family, friends, and co-workers. His co-workers became an extended family and he was often known to donate his accumulated time to colleagues when they were enduring a health crisis. Roger truly loved his job and the people he worked with, they were his extended family and thus he never retired. He was known for getting to work at 3 AM even though his shift started at 6 AM, demonstrating the epitome of dedication. As a man of few words, Roger could turn a bad situation into a positive one with one-word statements that captured the moment in an impactful and uplifting way.

Long before binge-watching Netflix was popular, Roger was known for watching his westerns. For hours on end during the weekends, he loved to sit in his comfy chair uninterrupted and enjoy watching his favorite TV Land programs. If you caught him during one of those moments his answer to any question was even shorter.

One of Roger's favorite hobbies and past times was collecting antiques, knives, canes, hats, and coats. His appreciation for coats grew into the dozens.

Roger had a gentle and kind spirit which extended to his love for animals. He had a deep affection for stray cats. He took them in as if they were his own. Always providing food and giving them the love and attention they deserved.

He will be remembered for his kindness, generosity, independence, and positive outlook on life. Those he leaves to treasure his memory aspire to mirror the qualities he exhibited throughout his life.

Loving memories will be cherished by his brother Landon Hunter Wickham, Sr.; seven nieces and nephews, Nathaniel John Wickham, IV (Yvonne), Andre' Regauld Wickham (Daphne), Sonja J. Wickham, Landon Hunter Wickham, Jr. (Leslie), Byron Arthur Wickham (Starlita), Scott Roger Wickham (Alina) and Natalie Camille Wickham; seventeen grand nieces and nephews; thirteen great-grand nieces and nephews; beloved and devoted friends and colleagues, Linda Lewis, Janice Webb, Gina Middlebrook, Carol Oliver, Connie Landon, Carol Chen-Scarabelli, Thomas Carter, Harry Barnes and a host of family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverview Cemetery

1401 S. Randolph Street  
Richmond, VA 23220

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR 9. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Celebration of Life with live streaming

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# Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Roger Franklin Wickham, Please Click the Link below.*



**March Funeral Homes** - April 04 at 10:13 AM

GC

*My deepest Condolences to Wickham family I work with Roger at McGuire and it was a pleasure of been one of his supervisors .Roger will be miss by all RIP*

**GLORIA CLAUD** - April 05 at 10:47 PM

RK

*RIP Roger, I enjoyed our conversations at McGuire about thrifting and your antique gun collection.*

**Renée Kelley** - April 11 at 12:58 PM

NA

“ *Natasha lit a candle in memory of Roger Franklin Wickham*



**Natasha** - April 21 at 08:54 AM

DJ

“ *Rest in Peace Roger! One of the VAs finest!*



**Dale Jennings** - April 09 at 12:40 PM

JF

“ *Joslyn B. Ford lit a candle in memory of Roger Franklin Wickham*



Joslyn B. Ford - April 09 at 08:47 AM

SW

“ *Sonja J Wickham lit a candle in memory of Roger Franklin Wickham*



Sonja J Wickham - April 09 at 05:29 AM

PP

“ *Roger would greet me early every morning with a positive attitude and willing to go the extra mile. He would always greet me by saying, good morning-how was your night? That's how majority of our conversations began. They would end with a have a good day and see ya later. No matter how small that may seem to most people, it meant a lot to me. So now my friend I say farewell and see ya later.*  
Pam

Pam P - April 08 at 05:08 PM

DW

*Uncle Pete was a kind and loving man. I will miss him. Rest in Peace. Dr. Joan McMillan Wickham*

Dr. Joan McMillan Wickham - April 08 at 08:51 PM

CC

“ *Mr. Roger, as many of us knew him, was a hardworking, dedicated employee who took pride in his work. He is the epitome of the saying: “there is dignity in all work. “ He kept our hospital office clean and was dependable, with a sense of humor. He will be missed. Our condolences to Byron and his entire family. - from Carol Chen-Scarabelli and family.*

Carol Chen-Scarabelli - April 08 at 11:56 AM

MS

“ God has given Roger a lifetime of memories and blessings, and now God has called his child home to rest he will be truly missed by those he have touched and those who have touched him My brother rest in his arms. Brother Skinner & Wife.

Marvin Skinner - April 06 at 05:02 PM

TC

“ Roger was a good person, we rode together for about 7 years, we always talked about the weather and work. I will miss him. From my family to his I send my condolences.

Thomas Carter - April 06 at 12:09 PM

TC

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Thomas Carter - April 06 at 11:43 AM



“ I had the pleasure of supervising Mr. Wickham. He will truly be missed. My deepest condolences to the family. 🙏🙏

Janine Celi - April 05 at 07:10 PM

AF

“ I don't think I ever heard Roger say a cross word. Always nice and with a smile. It was a pleasure working with him.  
Alison Faulk

Alison Faulk - April 04 at 06:45 PM



“ Roger was a very nice and quite person during the years I worked at the VA Hospital. Condolences to his friends and family.

Charlynn Clark - April 04 at 11:51 AM

GW

Rest in peace you will be with your mother now and yes you were a MOMMA BOY

Gladys Williams - April 04 at 09:44 PM

LR

“ I offer My condolences to the Wickham Family in the passing of their Love one. I worked with Roger at McGuire Veterans Hospital for 25+ years. Roger was a loyal and dedicated employee. Over the years Roger gifted me several pocket knives which many I still have. Roger was thoughtful and a down to earth man. Roger will be truly missed by many, may her rest in eternal peace.

Larry Rice - April 04 at 11:05 AM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - April 04 at 09:35 AM

TC

Roger was a good person I will always remember him my prayers goes out to the family will miss him greatly

Thomas Carter - April 06 at 03:47 AM

CO

Roger was a thoughtful man. He will be missed. Am I right or am I right?

Carol Oliver - April 06 at 02:19 PM