

## **Nicholas Joseph Stasko**

Nicholas J. Stasko, CAPT USN (Ret), 80 died June 17, 2018 in Chesapeake, VA following a long illness. He will be buried at sea.

Originally from Edwardsville, PA, Nick had a 26-year Naval career including three commands: USS SHAKORI (ATF-162), USS JOHN PAUL JONES (DDG-32), and USS SIERRA (AD-18). He also served aboard the USS BARRY (DD-933), USS JOHN KING (DDG-3), USS KING (DLG-10) and as Chief Engineer on USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63). On shore he was an officer recruiter at BUPERS; attended Destroyer School; earned an MS in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, completed the courses at the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk and the Naval War College in Newport. He served as an analyst at COMTHIRDFLT and training director at Surface Warfare Officer School.

From The Netherlands to Washington DC, California, Hawaii, the South China Sea and Indian Ocean, Newport and Charleston, Nick gave his best to his country. After his retirement in 1987, Nick worked for First Marine in Norfolk VA. He was an active golfer and is survived by his loving wife of 28 years Christine, five children and nine grandchildren.

He will be remembered and missed by friends, extended family, and shipmates.

*The Stasko Family*