



Nick Joseph Hodak

August 21, 1968 - August 9, 2025

Nick Hodak, age 56, passed away in Naples, Florida on August 9, 2025. Born on August 21, 1968 in Toledo, Ohio, he was an inquisitive and outgoing child, with a natural curiosity and quick wit about people and the world. He loved all sports and met many of his lifelong friends playing basketball and baseball. Hodie, as his friends would refer to him, was a proud graduate of St. John's Jesuit High School class of 1986. With a free throw percentage of 92.6, Nick remains written in the school and OHSAA's history books. If you knew Nick, you knew he graduated from The Ohio State University. During his time as a Buckeye, he played basketball under Randy Ayers from 1989-1991 where he contributed to their first Big Ten championship in 20 years. Often joking he was there to keep up the team's GPA, he graduated with honors and three degrees. After college, utilizing his people skills, humor, and smarts, he went on to have a successful career in sales. Throughout his life, he remained a fan of Buckeye sports, reading up on sports news every morning on his iPad, and attending every major Ohio State Football and Basketball game. He loved living in the sunshine and warmth of Naples, Florida. While there he enjoyed the beach, biking, swimming, fishing, and boating.

Nick would want to be remembered for the moments he brought you joy, made you laugh, or enjoyed your company at a Buckeye game or on the golf course. He'd want those he loved to know how much he loved them. He'd want you to remember his free throw statistics and that he was a Big Ten Champion. He'd want you to remember him with hair. His greatest honor was being your Dad,

Son, Brother, Uncle, Friend, or Teammate.

He is survived by his parents, Robert Hodak (Marylin) and Joy (Shively) Hodak; his daughters, Taylor and Avery Hodak; his sister, Nicole Hallett (Gary); and his nephews, Logan, Ben, and Jack.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Church on Wednesday, August 27 at 11:00 a.m., with an hour of visitation beginning at 10:00. Coyle Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Please leave a condolence message at CoyleFuneralHome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Patrick of Heatherdowns School
4201 Heatherdowns Blvd
Toledo, OH 43614-3099
(419) 381-1775

Funeral Mass

AUG 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Patrick Of Heatherdowns
4201 Heatherdowns Blvd
Toledo, OH

Tribute Wall

MM

“My name is Mia, and I had a relationship with Nick for almost two years in Naples..

Nick was a man of contrasts. We all loved the version of him who lit up Fifth Avenue, making friends everywhere he went, but those closest to him also knew the struggles he carried inside. He tried again and again to fight them, and I know how much he wanted to be better.

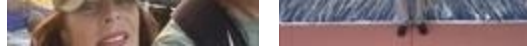
Through all the ups and downs of our relationship, one thing never changed: I couldn't resist his charm. He had a way of drawing people in, and he certainly did with me. Nick could light up a room, even if sometimes it felt like I was just a spectator to the “Nick show.”

I have so many memories of him — biking to the beach, eating oysters, laughing on the boat (and sometimes calling Sea Tow when we ran out of gas), watching him dive into the coldest water without hesitation, and yes, sports always coming before me. I'll never forget him teaching me about the Buckeyes or the joy on his face when we watched his team win the championship this past winter.

Nick wasn't perfect, but he was unforgettable. He was passionate, charming, frustrating, and deeply lovable. I will miss him dearly, but I'll hold onto the laughter, the adventures, and the love we shared.

I couldn't save him, though God knows I tried. But I like to think maybe he stayed with us a little longer because of the love he gave and received. And for that, I will always be grateful.





Mia Manaloto - August 27, 2025 at 08:19 AM

SN

“ Savitha and Nathan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



Savitha and Nathan - August 26, 2025 at 07:57 PM

SN

“ Savitha and Nathan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nick Joseph Hodak.

Savitha and Nathan - August 26, 2025 at 07:57 PM

EV

“ Efrain V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nick Joseph Hodak.

Efrain V. - August 26, 2025 at 03:46 PM

VR

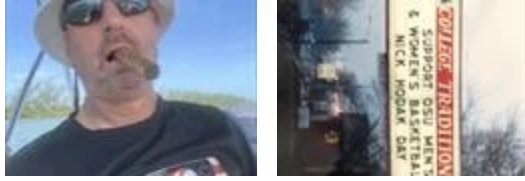
“ Vanessa , Avani, & Ravi purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



Vanessa , Avani, & Ravi - August 26, 2025 at 02:20 PM

BF

“ Oh Hodie! You're the best. Miss you/love you. My sincere sympathies to Nick's family and friends. God bless



bruce fagert - August 26, 2025 at 11:01 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



August 25, 2025 at 11:19 PM

CA

“ Carol & Randy Ayers purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



Carol & Randy Ayers - August 25, 2025 at 09:44 AM

MM

“ Mike, Julie, Megan & Anna Maitino purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



Mike, Julie, Megan & Anna Maitino - August 25, 2025 at 09:38 AM

MM

“ Mike, Julie, Megan & Anna Maitino planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nick Joseph Hodak.

Mike, Julie, Megan & Anna Maitino - August 25, 2025 at 09:38 AM

WF

“ With love, the Crandall family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



With love, the Crandall family - August 25, 2025 at 07:31 AM

WF

“ With love, the Crandall family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nick Joseph Hodak.

With love, the Crandall family - August 25, 2025 at 07:31 AM

TF

“ The Knoll family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



The Knoll family - August 25, 2025 at 06:39 AM

AC

“ I’m so very sorry to hear of Nick’s death. I hadn’t seen him since our college years but had hoped we might cross paths again one day. My most sincere condolences to the entire family. Amy Robins Cox

Amy Cox - August 23, 2025 at 08:46 PM

MS

“ I am very saddened becoming aware of Nick’s passing. I was his basketball teammate at Saint John’s Jesuit and thoroughly enjoyed playing with him and my friendship with him. I never got to see him when we parted SJJ, but I am proud of his life and accomplishments. Rest in peace Titan Brother.

mark swentkofske - August 21, 2025 at 08:34 PM

MR

“ Today is Nick's birthday and 57 years ago our family was blessed by this new baby boy into the family. Nick captured our hearts and would not let go. Nick was intelligent, funny, athletic and loved new people in his life. His spirit was so overwhelming with warmth and love for his family.

I would like to thank all of the people who came into Nick's life and gave him a gift of friendship. Some friends came into his life and stayed there a long time some came in for a short time. For however long you spent around Nick our family appreciates the happiness you brought into his life. Also, you may have been involved in one of the stories Nick told us. Nick as you know loved people and always wanted to hear their stories. Nick also loved to tell stories of his family not only his friends. So, I say we were all open game for his stories.

My heart is full of love for you Nick and sadden at the same time. My heart will heal in time and I will see you again, rest in peace till then.

Love, Aunt Mary Ann

mary ann rose - August 21, 2025 at 10:03 AM

MM

I heard about you from him! I spent almost 2 years with Nick in Naples and have seen it all!! I am so sorry for your loss.He will be missed by so many!

Mia Manaloto - August 25, 2025 at 09:44 AM

TF

“ THE DONALD FAMILY lit a candle in memory of Nick Joseph Hodak



THE DONALD FAMILY - August 21, 2025 at 08:27 AM

TF

*Taylor and family - May your dad's light shine within your heart always.
Sincerely, THE DONALD FAMILY*

THE DONALD FAMILY - August 21, 2025 at 08:33 AM

CT

“ Craig Barnum - Tucci's purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



Craig Barnum - Tucci's - August 20, 2025 at 06:19 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.



August 20, 2025 at 05:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Nick Joseph Hodak.

August 20, 2025 at 05:10 PM

BH

“ Nick always had a great sense of humor. He used to like to call me Alpha. RIP

Benjamin E Hills - August 20, 2025 at 03:15 PM

BF

AlphaAlpha-so nick

bruce fagert - August 26, 2025 at 11:10 AM

LS

“ *Love, Kathy, Jodi, & Sara purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.*



Love, Kathy, Jodi, & Sara - August 17, 2025 at 07:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Nick Joseph Hodak.*



August 17, 2025 at 04:56 PM