



## Percy W. Nalls

August 8, 1944 - January 1, 2019

Percy W Nalls, 74, of New Kent County, passed away on January 1 at VCU Medical Center after a battle with cancer.

Percy graduated from Poquoson High School in 1964 where he enjoyed playing sports, and retired from Bell Atlantic Telephone Company in 1999. He enjoyed nearly 20 years of retirement, singing and playing guitar, playing recreational softball, and working outside on his beloved property. He remained an avid fan of the Green Bay Packers and Boston Red Sox until his passing.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd R Nalls and Ruth Mills Nalls; two brothers, F Raymond Nalls, Jr. and Glynn G Nalls; and two sisters, Esther Greene Sink and Ruby A Nalls. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Connie Compton Nalls, daughter Joy Nalls Baker (Bernard) and son Ryan T Nalls (Sarah), as well as granddaughter Sonora Marie Nalls, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the staff at VCUMC for their devotion and kindness both to Percy and to his family during this difficult time, as well as the staff of Vincent Funeral Home for their assistance and counsel.

The family is receiving visitors at the family residence in Lanexa during a casual Celebration of Life on January 19 between 2 pm and 6 pm.

“If by chance you wish to remember me, do it with a kind deed or word to someone”.

# Comments

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“ Connie,  
Our condolences to you and your family. We will certainly miss seeing you and Percy walking on Old Telegraph. He always had such an uplifting demeanor.  
Jeff and Gayle Helmling

Jeff and Gayle Helmling - January 19, 2019 at 10:10 AM

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“ Joyce Williams lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



Joyce Williams - January 16, 2019 at 02:20 PM

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“ Donna & Ron Williams lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



Donna & Ron Williams - January 15, 2019 at 02:50 AM

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“ I really miss Percy even though I'm living miles away. I grew up with him with his lovable sense of humor, so quick with a joke and his comical comebacks ... You would just have to laugh being around him, he would make you....love you Perce....aka "Word Man" my special nic name for him...

Jim Sink - January 13, 2019 at 07:24 AM

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“ Connie,  
So very sorry for you loss. Prayers of comfort for you and your entire family.  
Love,  
Janie Newman

**Janie Newman** - January 12, 2019 at 08:16 PM

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“ Connie, Joy, Ryan, and Family,

John worked with Percy at Bell Atlantic and they spent many hours (many days and nights) together providing phone service to customers. Percy's stealth personality allowed him to stand strong to help others and he was a model to his peers. He shared his wisdom, compassion, and wide smile (with his quick wit) - bringing to the crew daily his desire to always "complete his work with the upmost quality." All knew of his deep love of family, - the outdoors, -- his favorite football team - the Green Bay Packers - and there was also his baseball love the Boston Red Sox. His kindness, hugs, and generosity to others will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Below is a poem that reminds us of Percy - We hope the words help to heal the loss of Percy through the beautiful memories of his life. With Loving Sympathy, John and Barbara Friesz (Pittsburgh, PA)

#### PEOPLE LIKED HIM

People liked him, not because  
He was rich or known to fame;  
He had never won applause  
As a star in any game.  
His was not a brilliant style,  
His was not a forceful way,  
But he had a gentle smile

And a kindly word to say.  
Never arrogant or proud,  
On he went with manner mild;  
Never quarrelsome or loud,  
Just as simple as a child;  
Honest, patient, brave and true:  
Thus he lived from day to day,  
Doing what he found to do

In a cheerful sort of way.  
Wasn't one to boast of gold  
Or belittle it with sneers,  
Didn't change from hot to cold,  
Kept his friends throughout the years,  
Sort of man you like to meet  
Any time or any place.  
There was always something sweet

And refreshing in his face.  
Sort of man you'd like to be:  
Balanced well and truly square;  
Patient in adversity,  
Generous when his skies were fair.  
Never lied to friend or foe,

Never rash in word or deed,  
Quick to come and slow to go  
In a neighbor's time of need.

Never rose to wealth or fame,  
Simply lived, and simply died,  
But the passing of his name  
Left a sorrow, far and wide.  
Not for glory he'd attained,  
Nor for what he had of pelf,  
Were the friends that he had gained,

Edgar Albert Guest

IN TRIBUTE TO PERCY WELDON NALLS (1944-2019)



**John Friesz** - January 11, 2019 at 01:04 PM



“ This is very kind, thank you so much for sharing.

**Joy Baker** - January 11, 2019 at 02:40 PM

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“ Maggie Tyner sent a virtual gift in memory of Percy W. Nalls



**Maggie Tyner** - January 09, 2019 at 08:27 PM

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“ Debbie Sink Busch lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



**Debbie Sink Busch** - January 09, 2019 at 03:04 PM

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“ Dear Connie and Family,

Our hearts go out to you. We fondly remember spending some time with you and Percy at Granny Bean's with Rick and Ginger a couple of years ago. Please know you will remain in our prayers for peace and comfort as only the Lord can provide.

Much love,  
Karla & Chris Strippelhoff

**Karla Strippelhoff** - January 08, 2019 at 07:15 PM

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“ I will miss Percy's big bear hugs when we meet for dinner, Connie. Thinking of you, Ryan and Joy. You're in my thoughts constantly.

**Krista Eutsey** - January 08, 2019 at 05:49 PM

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“ Heidi lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



**Heidi** - January 08, 2019 at 05:42 PM

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“ Meagan Starks lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



**Meagan Starks** - January 08, 2019 at 09:45 AM

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“ Melinda Wilson lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



**Melinda Wilson** - January 08, 2019 at 09:30 AM

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“ Joy Baker lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



**Joy Baker** - January 08, 2019 at 09:00 AM

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“ Lois Wilcox lit a candle in memory of Percy W. Nalls



**Lois Wilcox** - January 07, 2019 at 03:07 PM



“ Connie and Family, Gerald and I are so sorry to get the news about Percy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Today and always, may loving memories bring you strength, comfort and peace. Love, Lois and Gerald

**Lois Wilcox** - January 07, 2019 at 03:19 PM



“ Dear Connie and family, we are so sorry to hear about Percy's passing. When we are reminiscing about the good old days you guys often cross our minds and we have often wondered how you are doing. Don(Wolf) and I retired 6 years ago and we live in The Villages, Florida. We get The Daily Press online so we can keep up with things back home and that is how we saw Percy's obituary. It sounds like you had a wonderful life. Blessings to you and your family.

Don and Marty Wolfley

**Don and Marty Wolfley** - January 08, 2019 at 08:47 AM



“ Dear Ms. Nalls and Family, A friend sent me a message this morning through facebook about Percy's passing. I am so deeply saddened! Percy was a huge part of my childhood. He was a friend of my brother's and our entire family...including my grandmother loved Percy! My father used to say, "That boy doesn't know how to say No." I have so many wonderful memories of him...as I'm sure you all do. I can't imagine the man Percy Nalls was any different then that young boy Percy. Simply a wonderful human being! You have mine and my families deepest sympathies! Robin (Parks) & Tim Diemont

**Robin Diemont** - January 08, 2019 at 12:15 PM



“ I played all sports with Percy at PHS. He was a basketball legend but more than that a kind carefree soul. Once after a game, he ate 5 What a Burgers on a bet. I didnt see him again for probably forty years and thats when fate had us meet. Where-What a Burger. Eve though we havent been together but once since PHS, I miss him terribly.

**Gene Bloxom** - January 09, 2019 at 05:50 PM



“ Thank you all for sharing these memories. We love reading them. And thank you so much for loving him and sharing in his life!

**Joy Baker** - January 11, 2019 at 02:44 PM