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Victor Noel Cordeiro, age 76 of Rehoboth Beach, DE, passed away on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at his home. He was born in Nairobi, Kenya, son of the late Victor Salvador and Especiosa Cordeiro.

Noel lived in Nairobi for 25 years, and after leaving the Nairobi Polytechnic, he worked for The Nation, the city newspaper, as a proofreader. He then worked in the hospitality sector at the Mount Kenya Safari Club, for the actor William Holden. There Noel met Charles Wyman (owner of Pantasote Plastics), who sponsored him to the United States. He worked at Pantasote for a few years and then took a job with New Jersey Bell (now Verizon) where he worked as a technician for 30 years. After retirement from Verizon, Noel moved to Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, with his wife and son. He had many hobbies and pastimes, but loved restoring his vintage Volvo P1800S, most of all. Noel was technically adept on so many fronts. Prior to numerous technical resources being available on-line, his friends knew him as the go-to guy for technical assistance. Noel was an affectionate, devout, and generous man who greatly valued his immediate and extended family. He always had a smile on his face and possessed a wonderful sense of humor.

In addition to his parents, Noel was preceded in death by his brother, Savio Cordeiro (Stella Dewit, deceased); and his nephew Desmond Fonseca. He leaves behind his wife of 53 years, Leonora "Nora"; his son Neil; his brothers: Joseph Cordeiro (Alexandra) and Bosco Cordeiro (Beatriz Alcaine); his sisters: Gladys Fonseca (Olavo, deceased); Sarita de Souza (Jules, deceased) and Gemma Pereira (Romilus, deceased); his beloved cat, Norman; and many loving nieces and nephews, their children; and many other relatives and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 11:00 AM, at St. Jude the Apostle Church, 152 Tulip Drive, Lewes, DE, where friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM. Interment will be private.

All are invited to join the Mass via livestream by visiting [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and searching St. Jude the Apostle, Lewes, DE.



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In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to Delaware Hospice, 100 Patriots Way, Milford, DE 19963, Catholic Charities, 2601 W. 4th Street, Wilmington, DE 19805, or Beebe Medical Foundation, 424 Savannah Road, Lewes, DE 19958.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



Events


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Visitation

 **Thursday**, June 9, 2022

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **St. Jude The Apostle Catholic Church**
152 Tulip Drive, Lewes DE



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MF

Maria F Figueiredo posted:

Nora and Neil, my heartfelt sympathies on the passing of Noel. I watched and prayed during the holy funeral mass and was grateful to be able to follow it. The few times I met Noel, he was so thoughtful and friendly. May his soul Rest In Peace. May God give you strength at this difficult time. Love, M. Fatima Figueiredo

June 9 at 8:22 AM

AS

Alex Figueiredo And Christian Steckler posted:

When winner slows to take a victory walk, When sweating labour yields to grateful rest, When passionate love begets the deepest pride, When boisterous parties calm to toast the best, When laughter stills to smiles and memories, When bright sun sets in rapturous coloured clouds... Then God has blessed the hopeful runner's legs, And powered arms and back to build a life, And smiled as love joined spirit with stardust, And blessed true friends with deepest of respect, And calmed the heart, appreciating all, To follow colour home to our Lord's call. Farewell fine friend. You will be missed. Nora and Neil may the great memories of Noel get you through difficult times. - Alex Figueiredo and Christian Steckler

June 7 at 9:50 PM

AP

Arleen Pinto posted:

Noel was indeed a remarkable person in every aspect of the word. Google has over 53 other words to be interchangeable with remarkable. We, however, select "never to be forgotten". R.I. P Tyrone, Arleen, Ralston and Stacey Pinto

June 7 at 6:39 PM

JO

Joyce posted:

Dear Nora My heartfelt condolences to you, Neil and the Cordeiro family. I remember meeting you both at Aldeia Santa Rita in Candolim some years ago and neither of you had changed since I knew you in Nairobi. I was saddened to hear of Noel's passing, my thoughts are with you in this time of grief. With deepest sympathy Joyce Azavedo

June 7 at 4:44 PM



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Sabrina Scalena posted:

Dear Aunty Nora and Neil, My deepest condolences on the loss of Uncle Noel. He was an amazing and generous man. I have so many fond memories of our visits throughout the years. Sending all our love, Sabrina, Adam and Ivy

June 5 at 6:57 PM



Arnold Dorosario shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Such fond memories of Noel from High school in Nairobi to times we got together in the US. Will always remember Noel as a caring, soft spoken & a happy person, so comfortable in his own skin. That warm & sincere smile... the times we reminisced about our childhood days. We will miss you but never forget & will always be in our prayers. Carmen & Arnold



June 2 at 2:11 AM



Vera Abreu lit a candle in honor of Victor.

Dearest Nora, Neil and the Cordeiro family, Deepest condolences on the very sad loss of Noel RIP. I will treasure the lovely memories of his last trip here, our school days, his warm smile and wonderful person. May God grant you the courage and strength during this difficult time and may Noel's soul Rest in Peace. Loving thoughts and prayers, Vera Abreu



May 31 at 4:53 PM



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IA

Ivan And Debbie Araujo posted:

Dear Nora, Debbie and I extend to you and yours our deepest condolences in your loss. No words can take away the pain but simply knowing how much your beloved husband endeared himself to one and all will, hopefully, lighten the load. He was a wonderful, delightful human being who always took the time to say "hello". He will be truly missed.. Debbie and Ivan Araujo

May 31 at 4:16 AM

AS

Arnold De Souza May 31 at 5:00 PM

Dearest Nora and Neill it is with great sadness that I have learnt of Noel's demise. Although we met once or twice, Noel was always on the trans Atlantic phone line for a chat. In our younger days in Nairobi, we met at the Goan Gymkhana and St. Theresa's Boys School. He was kind, softly spoken, and willing to listen and helpful. I like many of his friends will always miss him dearly, but alas he is in a happier place, free from the turmoils and sufferings of this life on earth.. He will always be in my memory and May his Soul rest in peace. Take courage and strength in these days ahead, Nora and Neil and in the future, your Souls will be reunited with Noel. R.I.P. Noel. Arnold & (daughter Melissa) De Souza

BD

Brenda Desa posted:

Dear Nora, Neil, Gladys, Jose, Sarita and Gemma No one can prepare us for a loss, it comes like a swift wind, But take comfort on knowing that Noel is now resting in the arms of our Lord. Our deepest condolences to you Nora and Neil and the extended Cordeiro Family. May His Soul Rest in Eternal Peace. Brenda & Peter DeSa

May 30 at 6:29 PM

SC

Sean Cordeiro posted:

Aunty Nora and Neil I am very sorry for your loss. Being my god father, Uncle Noel holds a special place in my heart. I admire how much he loves his family and I try to do the same with my family. One special memory of uncle Noel was when I was visiting when you still lived in Clifton. I wanted to take the short cut on something he was working on and he told me if something is worth doing it's worth doing right. When I'm doing something worth doing, I often hear uncle Noel. He was a wonderful man and is missed.

May 30 at 2:19 PM



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Norman Da Costa posted:

Dear Nora, Neil and family: Delphine and I are so sorry for your loss. Noel was in school with us at Dr. Ribeiro's Goan School and also remember him briefly working at the Daily Nation. We met often in downtown Nairobi after school days and before long Noel had left. We did meet him and Nora in Toronto a couple of times and I always remember him as a person who loved to have fun and always had a great sense of humour. We are saddened by his death and may his soul rest in peace. Norman and Delphine Da Costa

May 29 at 5:54 PM



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DC

Darren Cordeiro posted:

You will be very missed Uncle Noel! Thank you for always making the time to keep in touch with me over the years. I take solace in the fact that you are out of pain and reunited with your parents along with my mother and father. Give them a big hug from me :) Love, Darren Cordeiro

May 29 at 12:03 PM

EP

Eric Pinto May 30 at 11:07 AM

Rest in Peace, Noel. Eric and Marilyn Pinto.

MF

Mike Fernandes May 30 at 9:58 AM

We were so greatly saddened to hear of Noel's passing, and our hearts go out to dear Nora, Neil and the entire Cordeiro family. May Jesus and His Blessed Mother heal your broken hearts and give you strength and courage to bear your irreparable loss. Noel is so lovingly remembered and so sadly missed. Mike and Cynthia

LS

Lino De Souza May 30 at 4:20 AM

Dearest A. Nora & Neil, My deepest sympathy on your beloved Noel/Dad's passing. Through the Divine Mercy of God may he rest in peace. Love and God Bless, Lino

AF

Alba & Clive Ferrao May 29 at 6:38 PM

Dear Nora and Neil We are very sorry to hear of Noel's passing. Please accept our sincere sympathies. We were classmates at the Goan Secondary School, Nairobi. He was always smiling and a very happy young man. Our prayers and thoughts are with you Dear Nora and Neil during this time of your sorrow. Eternal rest grant unto Noel O Lord, and let your Perpetual Light shine upon him. May his soul rest in peace. Amen.

RF

Rudy Fernandes May 29 at 5:38 PM

Dear Nora and Neil, Our deepest sympathies on the loss of Noel - a wonderful husband and father. We pray that the Lord will grant you courage and peace to go through this most difficult time. May Noel's soul rest in the peace of the Lord. God bless. Rudy and Maureen

NF

Norman And Jennifer Fonseca May 29 at 4:02 PM

Our dearest Nora and Neil, We're heart broken at the great loss you bear. Noel was a loving and devoted husband to you Nora for 53-3/4 years and a loving and devoted father to you Neil and the pain of separation will be immense.... We too are heart broken and we'll miss Noel and his warm smile more than words can say! Noel will live on in the hearts and memories of all of us who had the pleasure of knowing and loving him.... Noel's suffering is over now. May his soul rest in eternal peace. Love and prayers, Norman and Jenny



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Linda Thomas posted:

As a neighbor and a friend, Noel was the kindest, gentlest person. He loved to laugh with his pool buddies and listen to the music at the Bandstand with friends. Noel, we will never forget your smile. Linda and Jeff

May 28 at 11:21 AM



Jeanne Fernandes June 9 at 6:37 AM

Dear Nora and Neil, Noel was a special gift, not only to you but to so many of us. He will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you to get through this difficult time, and know that the wonderful memories will last forever. Jeanne, Lenny and Family



Mathew & Pelina Andrades May 31 at 1:29 PM

My Dearest childhood friend Nora. I was greatly saddened on hearing that your beloved Noel had passed away. May you, Neil and the Cordeiro family find the courage, strength and peace to bear this great loss. May Noel's soul Rest In Peace. We pray for you all daily. Please accept our sincere condolences. Mathew, Pelina & Family



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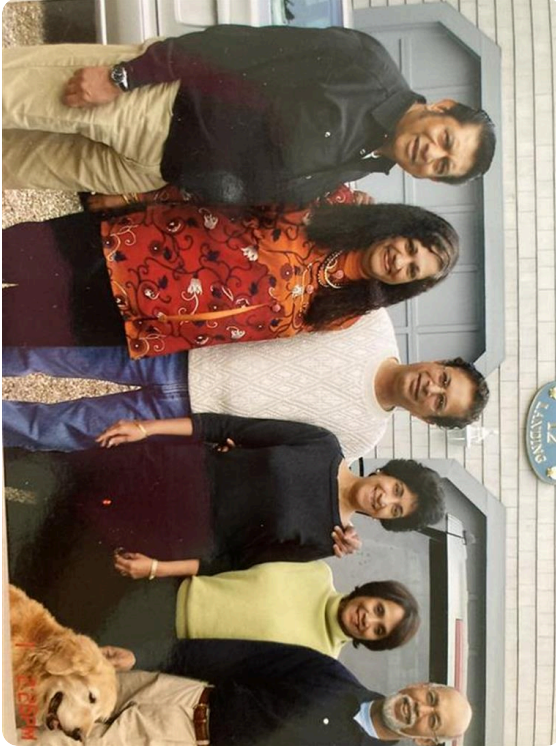
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Victor by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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