

## OBITUARY



Michael A. Wijnands, 72, died on Thursday, April 25, 2013, after suffering a heart attack during a golf outing in Orlando, Fla.

He leaves behind his wife of 46 years, Julia, two daughters, Michel Hawk of Knoxville, Tenn. and Sharon Bahlmann (husband, Chris) of Howell, four adoring grandchildren, Megan and Molly Hawk, Sawyer and Quinn Bahlmann, three brothers, six sisters and many nieces and nephews.

Michael was born in Noordwijk, Holland on May 31, 1940, to Hendrika and Adrianus Wijnands. He was an avid soccer player and longed for a good life in the United States. He served two years in the Royal Dutch Army and moved to New Jersey in 1959 and worked for Langeveld Bulb Company for over 40 years as a sales manager.

He and Julie raised their family in Hackettstown and remained there until his retirement. They reside in Palm City, Fla. and Norris, Tenn.

Michael enjoyed spending his time visiting family and spending time as a doting Opa to his grandchildren. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed socializing with his many friends. He spent several years as a volunteer delivery driver for the Martin County Meals on Wheels program. He was a local expert on landscaping and flowers among his neighbors. He will be dearly missed by his family and many friends.

There will be a celebration of life at Harbour Ridge Yacht and Country Club in Palm City, Fla. on Thursday, May 2, from 4-6 p.m.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Palm Beach Zoo at 561-547-9453 or online at [palmbeachzoo.org](http://palmbeachzoo.org).

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