

**Stephen**

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**Myslinski, Jr**

Jan 2, 1941 - February 27, 2012



English Professor Stephen V. Myslinski Jr., of Matthews, NC, died peacefully at home on February, 27, 2012, after a two year battle with CNS Lymphoma. He was born on January 2, 1941 in Passaic, NJ, to the late Stephen Victor Myslinski and Helen Stanislawa Myslinski.

Steve served in the US Navy on active duty, in the reserves, and as Blue and Gold Officer. He started his naval career as a LTJG teaching English at the Naval Academy Preparatory School. He later did two 5 year tours as a lecturer in English at the U. S. Naval Academy. His career came full circle as a Commander once again teaching at the Naval Academy Preparatory School in Newport, Rhode Island.

He joined the Navy in hopes that he would travel the world. Instead the Navy always capitalized on his English teaching talent stateside in MD or RI.

Therefore after the Vietnam War ended, he took a position as English Department Chair at the International School of Brussels (Belgium).

In 1995 he earned his Ph.D in modern British Literature from the University of Maryland. Professor Myslinski taught as a visiting Professor at the U.S. Naval War College and full-time at Salve Regina University in Newport, RI until he retired in 2006. In Charlotte, he taught part-time at Pfeiffer University's MBA program.

All together, Steve taught English for 42 years at the High School and College levels. Students will remember him as a demanding, fair teacher who pushed them to do their best. He had a gift to teach students how to write concisely and professionally.

Steve was a dedicated Boy Scout leader for many years and helped his two sons achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. He served as Lector in his parish in Portsmouth, RI and at St. Gabriel in Charlotte. He joined the American Red Cross Blood Donor Program in 1974 and was a regular donor until 2009. Fond of the outdoors, he loved to garden and ride his bicycle. Whenever his friends and neighbors were ill or in need of help, Steve often visited them with a kind word and thoughtfully prepared meal or treat.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Ursula Myslinski; daughter Nicole Hanson of Charlotte; two sons Andre Austin and wife Amy of Houston and Paul Myslinski and wife Corienne of Philadelphia; 4

grandchildren; brother Thomas Myslinski; sister Estelle Myslinski; half brothers Richard Lei and Allen Lei. A memorial service to celebrate the life of Steve Myslinski will be held in Charlotte at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church on Saturday March 3rd at 10 a.m. with a reception to follow in Fellowship Hall. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region, 1420 East Seventh Street, Charlotte, NC 28204 or to Room in the Inn Ministry, St. Gabriel's Church, 3016 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC 28211. Online condolences can be expressed at [www.carolinafuneral.com/obituaries](http://www.carolinafuneral.com/obituaries).