



Francis Allen Niedermeyer

January 5, 1947 - August 19, 2026

Charleston, South Carolina

Francis Allen Niedermeyer, 79, of Charleston, died on August 19, 2026. Born on January 5, 1947, with Colombian-American roots that shaped the table more than the flag. He learned that neighborhoods remember who helps without being asked.

He built props and let out kindness in the same fitting. A props glue brush hung to dry never left his tray. Colleagues still mention a props glue brush hung to dry.

In 1970 he married Helen. The marriage was not a speech; it was groceries, repairs, and two sons walked to school in weather that did not care. When Helen died in 2019, he kept what still worked: the early walk, the small garden, the call on Sundays.

Neighbors remember someone who knew every child's name on the block. Mornings were his favorite shift at home. He died in Charleston, on streets that already knew his pace. The calendar still has a circle on payday.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. His life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

Services

Services in Charleston will be simple: stories, coffee, and the names of people who showed up. Flowers optional; support for a local clinic or trade scholarship preferred.

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