



Raymond I. Carroll Jr.

July 15, 1949 - November 23, 2023

Raymond Irving Carroll, Jr. was born on July 15, 1949 to the late Juanita and Raymond, Sr. Carroll at the Crozer Chester Medical Center.

Raymond was a lifelong resident of Chester and he attended the Chester Public schools.

Upon graduation, Raymond sought employment and in 1968 he acquired a job at the Scott Paper Company in Chester. His time spent there was abbreviated because he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1969. He was honorably discharged in 1971.

In 1972, Raymond was employed at the FMC Viscose Company in Marcus Hook for 5 years, and in 1979 he worked for the Congoleum Corporation in Marcus Hook for 8 years. The Boeing Helicopter Company in Ridley Township was his last place of employment where he remained until his retirement in 2015.

Rick, Dad, Pop Pop, Pop Rick, Uncle Rick, Ricky, Shim, Shim Sham, Shimmy and Brother-in-law were all terms of endearment for Raymond. He was an honorable, trustworthy, appropriately stern individual and the “blue print of fatherhood.” His examples gave power to his words as well as his colossal exemplification which gave authority to his few very words. He was extremely

aggressive in love and the details in which he carried himself and his tasks gave light to his spiritually founded concept that “the way you do anything, is the way you do everything”.

Raymond was married to the love of his life, Dietra J. Taylor in 1974. From this union they were blessed with one son, Raymond, III. As a father and grandfather his love was always unwavering. His was intentional about the way he cared for others and their feelings. As a human being, when anyone came into his presence, he would always make you feel good regardless of who you were.

Raymond was always impeccably dressed and his fashion sense was top tier. He also loved to dance and his family officially dubbed him, “The King of Bop”. No matter what the affair, you would find him on the dance floor. His infectious smile and smooth moves left everyone in awe and he could make you think that you were having a good time even if you weren't.

Although you would not find Raymond on a routine basis in church, he was extremely spiritual from Sunday to Sunday. He prayed religiously and in the midst of turmoil he was always the resolve needed to deescalate the situation.

There was nothing more that Raymond could have possibly said or done because he maximized his abilities and completed his assignment to exhaustion. His way was a way that he could comfortably call on God's aid, for he consistently did everything to be of service and aid to those he was called to.

After battling a series of strokes of an inoperable and incurable condition, Raymond quietly and peacefully transitioned on Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2023, with his wife, Dee, of 49 years and son, Rick, to bear witness.

He leaves to cherish his memories his loving wife, Dietra of Chester; son, Raymond, III and daughter-in-love, Lisa of Upper Chichester; four grandchildren, Kennisa Calloway of Chester, Rayya, Rayghan and Raymond, IV Carroll of Upper Chichester; one great-grandson, Bryce Henry of Chester; two siblings, Sharon Drew of Smyrna, DE, and Linton Carroll (Valerie) of Philadelphia; mother-in-law, Leona Taylor of Smyrna, DE; four sisters-in-law, Marsha Taylor-Robertson of Smyrna, DE, Karen Stillis, Gretchen Womack and Gina Saunders of Chester; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Juanita and Raymond Carroll, Sr.; sister, Yvonne Payne; and brother, Barry Carroll.

Lovingly submitted,
The Family

Cemetery Details

Lawn Croft Cemetery

1000 Ridge Road
Linwood, PA 19061

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke Community Christian Church
317 Central Avenue
Chester, PA 19013
(610) 876-5197

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Just found out about my buddy Raymond sorry to hear this i worked with him live in same apt complex long time away and talked to him in passing by his house i will miss him nice guy my condolences to his wife, son and rest of family rest in heavenly peace my brother.

Charles Towns - December 15, 2023 at 01:59 PM

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“ Joseph, Micah & Jason Goings purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Raymond I. Carroll Jr..



Joseph, Micah & Jason Goings - December 06, 2023 at 06:15 PM

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“ Joseph, Micah & Jason Goings planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond I. Carroll Jr..

Joseph, Micah & Jason Goings - December 06, 2023 at 06:15 PM