



Mr. Raymond Edward Williams

August 9, 1966 - August 2, 2024

In Loving Memory Of

Raymond Edward Williams was born on August 9, 1966 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Frankie Mae and Gus Williams Jr.

Ray accepted Christ at an early age at Waterfall Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan. He was educated through the Detroit Public School System and graduated from Southwestern High School in 1984. He also was a skilled tradesman receiving his Climate Control Technology Certification from Northwestern Technological Institute.

Raymond was a hard worker. He was a Driver at Laidlaw Waste Systems in Detroit, MI. He later gained employment as an Automotive Technician at American Axle and Manufacturing in Hamtramck, Michigan.

Raymond met Sonya (née Miller) back in the late 80s and from their love was born their only daughter Sonay (Stank). They married on June 17, 1991 and remained life partners until his death.

Known for his quiet demeanor. Raymond was always a calm, cool, and collected spirit. To say he loved playing horseshoes is an understatement. He was the Horseshoe King and everyone who knew, knew he was cold with it! His other favorite pastimes included fishing and enjoying the serenity of sitting

by the water especially at Belle Isle.

He loved spending time with his family and friends. Quiet but funny - Raymond was always ready to debate you on sports and politics. But if you needed a listening ear you knew your secrets would always be safe with him. He never switched up on you and you knew if you needed someone to depend on he was only a call away.

Raymond fought a courageous battle against cancer, but transitioned from this life on Friday, August 2, 2024. He was preceded in death by his parents Gus and Frankie Mae Williams and his siblings: sisters Gloria, Vina, and Amelia (Mookie); brothers Sherman, Greg, Richard (Money), and Emery; special cousins Wanda Jackson and Ricky Moore.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Sonya and daughter Sonay. As well as his brother Gus II and two sisters Shirley Jean and Alice Faye; special nephews Marcel Saltmarsh, Marcellus Saltmarsh, and Robert Richardson (BooMan); special brother-in-law James Miller (Man); best friends Carl Jones, Rickie Warmack, Cottrell Agnew, Dennis Taylor, and Ronald Taylor. As well as host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Cemetery

31472 Michigan Ave
Wayne, MI 48184

Previous Events

Visitation

Tuesday, Aug. **13**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour / Visitation

Wednesday, Aug. **14**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

Wednesday, Aug. **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RT

“ *REGGIE TURNER lit a candle in memory of Raymond Williams*



REGGIE TURNER - August 09, 2024 at 11:26 AM

KP

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Kelly Peters - August 08, 2024 at 09:33 AM

KT

“ *I will always remember you Ray. My rides to school when I was teen and our rides as adults. Rest my brother Kim Turner*

Kimberly Turner - August 07, 2024 at 11:30 AM

MJ

“ *To the Sonay, Sonya and family.
Words will not wipe away your tears, and
hugs may not ease your pain,
But hold onto your memories because forever
they will remain.
Jones Family*



Martin Jones - August 07, 2024 at 10:13 AM

MJ

“ *Martin Jones lit a candle in memory of Raymond Williams*



Martin Jones - August 07, 2024 at 09:32 AM

SF

“ *Shemika & Rosies family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Raymond Edward Williams.*



Shemika & Rosies family - August 06, 2024 at 02:18 PM