



Raymond Burd Smith

January 20, 1932 - March 2, 2024

Raymond Burd Smith, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, passed away on March 2, 2024, at the age of 92. Born on January 20, 1932, in Monessen PA, Ray led a remarkable life filled with love for all, a passion for dentistry and golf.

Ray dedicated his life to his passions. He put his family first above anything else. Second was his love of dentistry. He embraced this passion, starting his dentistry career in the army stationed at Ft Lewis in Tacoma, WA. After serving in the military, Ray set up his practice with his father-in-law in Versailles PA. He served the community for 47 years, retiring to Long Boat Key Florida in 2006.

In addition to his passion for dentistry, he was involved in multiple community service organizations. He was the president of the Allegheny County Chamber of Commerce, President of the PA division of the American Cancer Society for two consecutive years, He was the president of the advisory board of the McKeesport campus of Penn State University. In addition, Ray supported the community of Elizabeth Township PA in many other ways.

Ray's passion continued serving in his retirement. He volunteered at the Friendship Center to help uninsured patients in need of dental care. He golfed, enjoyed the Sarasota Theater, and volunteered at St. Armands

Lutheran Church.

Ray's love for his family and generosity cannot be captured in words. His footprint and philosophies in life are instilled in his wife, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He left a legacy of kindness, respect, putting others before himself. He was adored and respected by all who had the wonderful opportunity to know him.

Ray is survived by his loving wife, Mary Lynne of 65 years, his four children, Jay (Debbie), Stacey (Lonnie), Shelly (Lou) and Mary Beth. His grandchildren, Christian (Ashlee), Lonnie Crenshaw (Rachel), Nathaniel, Holly, Raymond Jay, Mara, and Mario. His great grandchildren, Savannah, Shaw, Carson, and Leland.

Raymond Smith will be deeply missed by his family, friends all those whose lives he touched.

Raymond's Celebration of life will be held April 13, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. with a luncheon at the fellowship hall to follow. Location: St. Armands Lutheran Church: 40 North Adams Dr., Sarasota Florida 34236

In leu of flowers, a donation will be appreciated to the St. Armand's Key Lutheran Church Foundation. Saklc.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **13**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Armands Key Lutheran Church
40 N. Adams Drive
Sarasota, FL 34236

Tribute Wall

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“ I just now saw that Dr. Smith passed away. My condolences to Marylynn and family. I started my love for dentistry working as an assistant for Dr. Smith and went on to become a hygienist for 30 years. Thank you Dr. Smith.RIP.

Suzanne Good Dittman - November 15, 2025 at 10:12 AM

TM

“ Dr. Smith was my boss over 20 years ago. He was so good to me as I lost my own father at a young age. I feel blessed that he was my boss at that time. His family has my deepest sympathy.

Tamie Markland - October 27, 2025 at 10:32 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond Burd Smith.



April 08, 2024 at 02:21 PM

JL

“ Julia Lukyanets purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Raymond Burd Smith.



Julia Lukyanets - April 07, 2024 at 11:56 AM

JL

“ Julia Lukyanets planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond Burd Smith.

Julia Lukyanets - April 07, 2024 at 11:56 AM

WW

“ Wayne & Marisa Wiethe purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Raymond Burd Smith.



Wayne & Marisa Wiethe - April 03, 2024 at 05:05 PM

MM

“ Dear Mary Lynn and Family,
Please accept our sincerely sympathy on the passing of your husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. May your wonderful memories bring you comfort. May God bless you and give you peace at this difficult time.
Sincerely, Ron, Michelle, Matthew, Andrew, Maggie Matella and our families.

Matella Michelle - April 01, 2024 at 01:42 PM

SD

“ Dear Mary Lynn & Family,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Ray, May God with you during this most trying of times! Sincerely, Sandy DiPaolo

Sandy DiPaolo - April 01, 2024 at 10:30 AM