



Mr. Ramond Antonio Collier, Sr.

July 28, 1944 - March 19, 2023

Ramond Antonio Collier Sr. was born July 28, 1944, in Frederick, Oklahoma to Jimmie Sr. and Ivory Marie Collier. He passed away March 19, 2023, in Snellville, Georgia.

Growing up Ray attended Mt. Gilead Baptist Church in Manitou, Oklahoma. He graduated from Boyd High School in Frederick, Oklahoma in 1963. He served in the United States Army and fought for his country in The Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged with a service-connected injury.

Ray moved to Dallas, Texas where he graduated from Bishop College in two and a half years with a Bachelor's in Business Administration with a minor in theology.

Upon graduation he began his teaching career in the Dallas public school system. He later moved to New York and continued to teach. While in New York he met Deborah and they were married. They soon moved to Stone Mountain, Georgia where they settled and raised their children.

Ray joined Atlanta Technical College where he taught many business, accounting, and math classes. Known to many as "The Mathematician", accounting and math were his specialties. He also worked as a job placement officer. Wherever he taught he coached basketball and encouraged young people to be the best they could be. He retired from Atlanta Technical College in 2000.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents: Jimmie Sr. and Ivory Marie; Two brothers: Jimmie Jr. and James.

Ray is survived by his wife of 37 years, Deborah, three children: Ramond Jr. (Robina), Radonna and Darren; one brother: Hayward; three grandsons: DeShun Jr., Ramond III and Jordan; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR 1. 1:00 PM - 2:15 PM (ET)

Gwinnett Chapel
914 Scenic Hwy
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

Repast

APR 1. 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Snellville Christian Church
2485 Scenic Hwy S.
Snellville, GA 30078

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Debbie and Sons, I was determined to keep reaching out to you and Ray. I never got any respond from texting and/or calling. I decided to reachout out another way. Both Debbie and Ray taught school with me at Royal Business School in New York City. I am so sorry for your loss. Please forward this text to the family especially his wife Debbie. My name is Joyce D. McGriff. I live in Florida. My phone number is: (813) 477-1857.

Joyce McGriff - October 31, 2025 at 04:31 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Ramond Antonio Collier, Sr..



March 31, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Mr. Ramond Antonio Collier, Sr..



March 30, 2023 at 07:24 PM

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“ My sorrow at Ray's passing is not something I can put into words. My prayers and love go out to his family and friends at this most painful and challenging time. It was truly a pleasure to have gotten to know Ray. I knew Ray from the time we both were teaching at Atlanta Technical College. Friends are so important because they bring companionship, support, and enrichment into our lives. We shared the same workroom between classes, at lunchtime, before classes began, and after classes had finished. I remember the many times all of our colleagues would use our workroom to have lunch, celebrate birthdays, and any other occasions we could think of. Ray seemed to always have time to listen and give advice and assistance when it was needed to students and to his workroom colleagues. Being a military brat I had a soft spot for those that have served our country and Ray was a person I could talk to about such things because he had an understanding of military life. Ray often shared stories with me tells about his service in the military and his assignment in the Vietnam War. Ray brought honor to the uniform he wore and the sacrifice he made for what he believed and shall never be forgotten. Although Ray retired a few years before I did we kept in touch through having colleagues workroom luncheons. The last luncheon we both attended was this past December. It was a wonderful time, we laughed, sang songs, played games, and talked about the good old days. Ray and I shared a love of gambling and talked about our many wins never to mention our losses. My husband and Ray would talk about their love for golf.

We started this friendship with a 'hello' and never thought it would be ending so soon with a 'goodbye'. Ray, you'll remain in my memories and heart. The candle may have gone out, but the memory of its light remains. A Life well lived.

Rosie Savage

Rosie Savage - March 30, 2023 at 11:15 AM