



## Mr. Raymond Saylor

May 14, 1948 - July 11, 2025

Rayvon “Raymond” Saylor, passed away peacefully on July 11, 2025, surrounded by the love of his family—a fitting farewell for a man whose heart was always fullest when he was with them. A devoted husband, father, grandfather/great-grandfather, veteran, and friend, Ray lived a life full of love, laughter, and service.

He was born on May 14, 1948, to the late Willie Lee and Esten Saylor. Ray’s upbringing in Albany, Georgia, shaped his deep appreciation for family, tradition, and resilience. He is survived by his loving sister, Annie Mae Drayton, and brothers, Ira Jackson, Sr., (Eunice) and Issac Jackson (Mildred). He was preceded in death by several siblings, Ernest, John Oliver, Robert, Larry, Rose, and Teresa.

Ray served his country honorably as a U. S. Air Force veteran and later dedicated many years to protecting his community as an Emory University police officer, but his most important role, the one he cherished above all, was being a family man. Ray shared a long and loving marriage with his wife, Ellen Saylor. Together, they raised three children, Felix (Betty) Saylor, Patricia (Devin) Brooks, and Rodney Saylor, and created a home filled with love, laughter, and lasting memories. He was a devoted grandfather to Felix Jr., Dasia, Angel, Tatyana, Sienna, Imani, Felis, Felicia, and Fenix, and a great-grandfather to Jamoni and Alora—all of whom he bragged about any chance he got. He found peace and happiness in the simple pleasures: fishing, listening to music, spending time outdoors, and being surrounded by his

family and friends. He was passionate about African-American history and culture, and he enjoyed watching classic cowboy movies and rooting for his favorite team, the Atlanta Falcons.

Ray will be remembered as a man of strong values, quiet strength, and deep love. He was the foundation of his family—steadfast, wise, and always present. His legacy lives on in the lives of those he touched, and the love he gave so freely will continue to guide and inspire those who knew him. Ray lived his life with purpose and heart. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

The Celebration of Life Service for Raymond Saylor will be held on Monday, July ,21 2025 at 11:00 AM. This service will be recorded and streamed live. If the event is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire event will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the event.

<https://vimeo.com/event/5263811>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 18. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-Rockdale  
1999 Hwy. 138 SE  
Conyers, GA 30013

## Celebration of Life

JUL 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Atlanta Boulevard Seventh Day Adventist Church  
240 Maynard Terrace S.E.,  
Atlanta, GA

# Tribute Wall



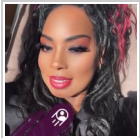
“ Ray was a really good man and role model. It's heartbreaking that he's gone. We worked together for a lot of years and everyone was devastated when he retired from Emory. Most people are replaceable. He wasn't. One of a kind fellow, wise, generous and kind-hearted.

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**Tony Menichini** - December 13, 2025 at 11:53 AM



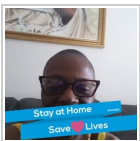
“ hey grandpa! i miss you sm already and the house will never be the same without you. watch over me, protect me, camp around our home, and continue to send me reminders of the greater things to come. ily so much, ill take care of mom/dad for you. <3.

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**Tatyana Saylor** - July 18, 2025 at 07:41 PM



“ RIH uncle love you you will be miss

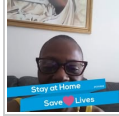
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**F Perry-Penn** - July 18, 2025 at 01:28 PM



“ Angela Perry-Trotman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raymond Saylor

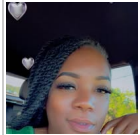


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**Angela Perry-Trotman** - July 18, 2025 at 01:20 PM



*Big play Ray, you know I'm truly going I miss you. If I find another FRIEND with half the heart you had, lit would definitely be heaven sent. You were the best friend I ever had . My ride or die until the end. A true soldier and you taught me more than you will ever know. Love you BFF, rest well 💕*

**Angela Perry-Trotman** - July 18, 2025 at 01:36 PM



*“ Rest well Uncle Ray.. You will be missed 🌸*

**Marcella Perry** - July 18, 2025 at 08:55 AM

BF

*“ Rest well uncle Ray! Love Bridgette Bardot.*

**Bridgette Ferguson-Wright** - July 18, 2025 at 12:30 AM

ME

*“ Uncle Ray you will truly be missed! Rest in paradise! Love, Bridgette Bardot.*

**Me** - July 17, 2025 at 11:34 PM

AB

*“ Grandpa's in my heart*

**Alora Brooks** - July 17, 2025 at 11:11 PM

AB

*“ Grandpa taught us what it meant to truly love and care for your family. I hope he knows how much we all appreciate him*

**Angel Brooks** - July 17, 2025 at 11:09 PM

SB

“ Hey grandpa! Just know that we miss you over here. It won't be the same without your jokes and energy to keep us company. I'll be graduating in a couple years like I've always told you, I know you'll be there with me when I finally cross that stage. Keeping your love with me <3

Sienna Brooks - July 17, 2025 at 11:09 PM

DB

“ I miss you so much grandpa! Me & Alora think about you everyday. Watch over and protect us

Dasia Brooks - July 17, 2025 at 11:00 PM



“ Red, White & Blue Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Raymond Saylor.



July 17, 2025 at 10:45 PM

EC

“ RIP Uncle Ray! No more pain nor suffering! My Condolences! I Pray for Strength, Peace & Comfort for the Family! GOD Bless! ❤️🙏 Your niece/Cuz Elaine

Elaine Carter - July 17, 2025 at 03:54 PM

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“ *Chief Burt Buchtinec and the EPD family purchased the Heartfelt Sympathies Blue & White Funeral Standing Basket for the family of Mr. Raymond Saylor.*



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**Chief Burt Buchtinec and the EPD family** - July 17, 2025 at 09:52 AM