



James S. Ray Sr.

October 19, 1940 - April 9, 2021

James (Jim) S. Ray Sr., 80, passed away on April 9, 2021 at Anne Arundel Medical Center in Annapolis. He was born on October 19, 1940 in Birmingham, AL. He was the son of the late John and Ruby Lee Ray.

Jim was an Annapolis building contractor for over 55 years. He was a member of Weems Creek Baptist Church since his youth. Jim was a devoted husband, father and grandfather and enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his family.

Jim is predeceased by his son Timothy Ray, his brother Charles Ray, and his sister Lera Bowen.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Brenda Ray, his sons; James Ray Jr. (Julie), Kenneth Ray (Nathalie), daughter-in-law Leslie Ray (Timothy), his grandchildren Tanner, Dylan, Alexa, Lindsay, Katelyn, his brother Gerald Ray, and his sister Christine (Ray) Bradford.

A Memorial Service is scheduled for Sat., April 24 at 1:00 pm at Weems Creek Baptist Church followed by a small family gathering in the WCBC fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to a charity of your choice.

Online condolences can be made at www.fhnfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **24**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Weems Creek Baptist Church
600 N. Bestgate Dr.
Annapolis, MD

Tribute Wall

MW

“ James Ray, Sr custom built my family’s home in 1973 in Saefern, Annapolis Maryland. 50+ years later, we still live in the beautiful home James built for us. We are so blessed to live in this well built home. The Warner Family

Marc Warner - June 15, 2025 at 06:17 PM



“ James S. Ray Sr.

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ James S. Ray Sr.

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ James S. Ray Sr.

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

DA

“ Dan, Larry and your friends at Absolute purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James S. Ray Sr..



Dan, Larry and your friends at Absolute - April 22, 2021 at 09:57 AM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of James S. Ray Sr..*



April 22, 2021 at 08:38 AM



“ *Brenda, Jim, Ken, and family, Oh, how you must miss this extraordinary man—so skilled with his hands, so loving with his heart, and so full of life. Our hearts go out to you in your loss—and celebrate with you the life of this amazing husband, father, grandfather, and friend.*

With love, Cousin Greg and Jennifer in San Diego

Gregory Thompson - April 20, 2021 at 12:44 PM



“ *With love, Cousin Greg and Jennifer, San Diego purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James S. Ray Sr..*



With love, Cousin Greg and Jennifer, San Diego - April 20, 2021 at 12:43 PM

LB

“ *Brenda, my deepest heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your family. I was so sorry to read of Jim’s passing.*

I think of you so often having worked with you at ARINC so many years ago. I pass a community that Jim built years ago and it brings you to mind.

My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. I know this is such a difficult time.

Lynda Behnke (formerly Lynda Castle).



Lynda Behnke - April 18, 2021 at 07:34 AM

LP

“ *Our hearts are breaking for you. You both were our beach buddies & we will always think of you as we pass your condo. Prayers & condolences to your family from Dick & I*

Lois Pavlosky - April 17, 2021 at 10:43 PM

WM

“ *William Robinson Matakas lit a candle in memory of James S. Ray Sr.*



William Robinson Matakas - April 17, 2021 at 12:36 PM

SC

“ *Shana Corder lit a candle in memory of James S. Ray Sr.*



Shana Corder - April 16, 2021 at 09:44 AM

MZ

“ *Michael Zimmer lit a candle in memory of James S. Ray Sr.*



Michael Zimmer - April 14, 2021 at 08:11 AM