



## Ralph Angel Cruz Jr.

November 27, 1955 - February 7, 2024

Ralph Angel Cruz, Jr. of Chestertown, MD departed this earth on February 7, 2024. He was 68 years old.

He was born in Philadelphia, PA on November 27, 1955, the son of the late Catherine and Rafael Angel Cruz, Sr. He moved to Maryland from Philadelphia in the 1960s and began working construction with family's business at an early age. He later went on to work for Campbell's Soup, Con Agra, Stenger's, and Dixon Furniture Auction.

Ralph loved fishing, hunting, good food, and watching movies and TV – especially his favorite shows, Jeopardy, Antique Road Show, and murder mysteries. He was a diehard Washington Commanders fan and he was known for always keeping his car, "Ghost", in immaculate condition.

He is survived by his loving and devoted daughter, Chantelle Haskins (Antonio) of Baltimore, MD, who cared for him during his illness; two sons, Ralph Angel Cruz III (Rebecca) of Florida, and Ly'Trel D. Cruz of New Jersey; brothers, Gregory E. Cruz, Sr. (Celestine) of Worton, MD, Francisco G. Cruz (Tina) of Chestertown, MD, Emilio Cruz (Yvette) of Savannah, GA, and Matio Cruz (Nicole) of Townsend, DE; sisters, Anita Cruz Rosario (Jorge) of Newark, DE, and Angelita Cruz of Newark, DE; fiancée, Armenta Whitten of Upper Marlboro, MD; as well as twelve grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, a host of nieces and nephews, special friends Ruby Newnam and Clarissa Daniels, and his beloved cat, Sage.

Services will be held on Saturday, February 17 at 12:00 pm at Fellows,

Helpfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown, MD, where friends and family may visit one hour prior, from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm. A reception at the funeral home to follow services.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home  
130 Speer Road  
Chestertown, MD 21620  
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

## Service

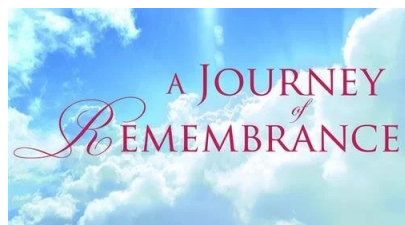
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph Angel Cruz Jr.*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - February 16, 2024 at 12:15 PM

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“ *Man this hurts you was one of the only ones helped me see my boyfriend when he was in ICU day Billy went down you seen I needed ride cause he was on life support an you got me there an waited while I visited I just now finding out you passed away this hurt may you r.i.p my friend I don't want to believe this fly high my friend thank u for all you did for Billy an me u saved the day 3 years ago cause no one stepped up to help like you did*

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**Dawson** - March 09, 2024 at 03:54 AM

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“ *I went to school with Ralph in Middle School and High School. He was a cool guy who always had a smile and said hello to everyone. Did not know he had been sick but may he now Rest in Peace.*

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**Allan Schauber** - February 16, 2024 at 02:55 PM

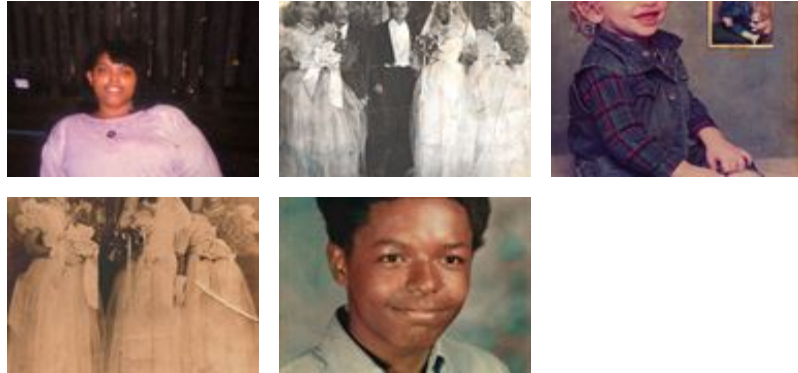
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*Thank you*

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**Chantelle Cruz** - February 16, 2024 at 11:58 PM



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Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 16, 2024 at 12:13 PM



“ *Ralph me and my friends was talking about you Saturday. You must been say. Hi lady and what up. But we didn't no you passed. Thanks for always calling me out when you would see US. Rest easy. Thanks for all the fun times.*

Lisa Hawkins - February 15, 2024 at 10:23 AM



“ *My condolences to the family.*



George Short - February 14, 2024 at 06:26 AM



*Thank you 🙏*

Chantelle Cruz - February 14, 2024 at 07:22 PM



*You're welcome*

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**George Short** - February 15, 2024 at 08:28 AM