



Raymond J. Impara

November 16, 1944 - February 27, 2023

Raymond J. Impara, age 78, passed away on February 27, 2023 in Tallahassee, Florida. He was born on November 16, 1944 in Paris, Texas to parents Pascuale and Frances Rose Impara. Shortly after graduating from high school, Raymond joined the Navy and served during the Vietnam War.

Upon his transfer from active duty into the Naval Reserve, Raymond began his college education in pursuit of his law degree. He would eventually earn his Juris Doctorate and become a family law and criminal defense attorney. He practiced proudly for over 40 years prior to his retirement.

Raymond was preceded in passing by his parents. He is survived by his sister, Denise Wilson (Chris); his nieces Lt. Col. Jennifer Avery (Ret.) USAF, Dr. Katherine Wilson and several close friends. Raymond also leaves behind his beloved dog and longtime companion "Dot Dot."

A memorial service will be held at Bevis Funeral Home on Friday, March 10, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Committal with military honors will be held at Tallahassee National Cemetery, following the service, at 12:00 p.m.

Breanna Green of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) is assisting with arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 10. 10:00 AM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory
200 John Knox Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-2193

Committal Service

MAR 10. 12:00 PM (ET)

Tallahassee National Cemetery
5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Tribute Wall

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“ I just learned of Raymond's transition on yesterday. It broke my heart. Not only because of my untimely learning that he is no longer with us, but also because I was unable to attend his Homegoing Service. I am not fond of attending these type events, but Raymond was a dear and cherished friend of mine; had I known, I would have been present on that day on which his life was celebrated for a final time. I met Raymond (he let me know early on that he did not care for my shortening his name to "Ray") and began a working relationship in 2003 when I was an assistant state attorney in Leon County (Juvenile Division) and he a criminal defense atty. He was kind, patient, reasonable and a true and conscientious advocate for his clients. He was always prepared and fully knowledgeable of the facts and prevailing law(s) in his cases. As an ASA, he quickly became one of my favorite defense attorneys and I welcomed his early morning calls (around 6-ish) concerning his cases. He recognized I arrived to work around this time. Our friendship was solidified in 1977 when I left state employment and began private practice as a sole practioner. Raymond assisted me in sooooo many ways--from helping me find an office location (told me of a vacancy in office complex where his office was housed); to sharing countless templates for relevant pleadings and forms; to assisting me in getting onto the conflict attorney registry and taking on & conquering that Monster, the Justice Administration Commission. Raymond and I pretty much lost contact over recent years, but he is no less a dear dear friend. I realize much time has passed since Raymond's passing, but I pray that Raymond's family and loved ones accept my sincere and heartfelt condolences. Just knowing that Raymond is no longer with us breaks my heart. I can certainly appreciate how the loss of this kind, generous and unselfish soul has affected those who loved him most. Rest In Love, Raymond.

Cydnee Brown - July 13, 2023 at 03:46 AM

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“ I always enjoyed working with Mr. Impara and seeing him at the courthouse in Tallahassee. Mr. Impara was such a gentleman -- so soft-spoken and considerate. I will miss him. Respectfully, Jon Sjostrom, Chief Judge

Jon Sjostrom - March 09, 2023 at 04:37 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Raymond J. Impara.



March 08, 2023 at 03:51 PM