



## Raymond "Butch" Ralph Lee, Jr.

September 2, 1944 - January 1, 2026

Raymond "Butch" Ralph Lee, Jr. passed away peacefully on January 1, 2026, at the age of 81. Born on September 2, 1944, in Atlanta, Georgia, Ray lived a life marked by dedication to his family, community, and country.

Ray proudly served his nation as a member of the United States Army. Following his honorable discharge, he continued his commitment to public service by joining the City of Atlanta Fire Department, where he worked diligently for ten years. Afterward, Ray transitioned into the field of commercial construction, serving as a superintendent for Caliber Construction, where he was respected for his leadership and expertise.

Ray was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Raymond Lee, Sr. and Opal Lee; his sister and brother-in-law, Bonnie and David Hattaway; and his niece, Davina Koehl.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 56 years, Ruth Moody Lee, who stood by his side through life's many seasons. Ray leaves behind two cherished daughters, Crystal Colburn (Darrell) and Tiffany Carroll (Wayne), who will forever hold his memory close. His legacy continues through his grandchildren: Dr. Devin Colburn (Marcel), Sydney Hagan (Drennan), Dalton Colburn (Katelin), Colton Carroll, and Colby Carroll, all of whom brought immense joy to his life.

Ray is also survived by his sister-in-law, Esther Morris; his niece, Holly Kanner (Scott); his nephew, Danny Koehl; and his great-nieces and nephews, Addie Koehl, Bonnie Kanner, Molly Kanner, and Lincoln Kanner, each of whom held a special place in his heart.

A memorial service to honor Ray's life will be held on Sunday, January 4, 2026, at 2:00 PM at the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home, with grandson Dalton Lee Colburn officiating. Family and friends are invited to gather for visitation one hour prior to the service to pay their respects and celebrate the life of a man who touched so many.

Ray will be remembered for his unwavering dedication to those he loved and his steadfast commitment to his work and community. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
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Fairburn, GA 30213  
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## Memorial Service

JAN 4. 2:00 PM.

Parrott Funeral Home Chapel

# Tribute Wall



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Raymond "Butch" Ralph Lee, Jr.



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Parrott Funeral Home - January 04 at 01:45 PM



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Raymond "Butch" Ralph Lee, Jr.



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Parrott Funeral Home - January 03 at 02:42 PM

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“ Ray was a "one of a kind" type of man. He stood tall as being straight forward with me concerning his beliefs. He was a man I could depend on when needed, especially with Roger Corley and David Hattaway. The community will miss the friendship expressions of this dear man of God. Ruth and family, please know that our prayers are with the entire family.

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Buddy Waldron - January 04 at 07:48 AM



“ 57 files added to the album LifeTributes



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**Parrott Funeral Home** - January 03 at 02:07 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond "Butch" Ralph Lee, Jr..



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January 03 at 11:10 AM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of Ray Lee's passing . He was such a good neighbor & friend to my brother, Melvin Minix. Yall are in my thoughts & prayers

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**June Minix Long** - January 03 at 12:43 AM



“ So sorry to hear this. Ray was a one of a kind man and held a special place in our hearts. I know he and Mike are in Heaven catching up on everything. Love all of you and y'all are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Donna Coffee** - January 02 at 06:03 PM