



## Raymond Van Dyke

July 26, 1938 - March 30, 2015

### Obituary of Raymond Van Dyke

Raymond Van Dyke passed away peacefully at home in Lady Lake, Florida on March 30, 2015.

Ray was born in Joliet, Illinois on July 26, 1938. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Pat, two sons David (Tina - wife), Mark (Donna -wife), one Brother Ron Van Dyke (Kathy - wife), Doris Hedrick sister-in-law, four grandchildren, Kelly, Dominic, Lance, Lauren, nieces, nephews and numerous friends.

Ray received an Associate degree in Law Enforcement and attended the 108th Session at the FBI Academy in 1977. Ray served 32 years at the Will County Sheriff's Office in Joliet, Illinois moving up the ranks from Deputy to Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Deputy Chief to Chief Deputy. He was also a Life Member of the Police Chief's Association of Will County, Illinois.

Ray and Pat moved to Harbor Hills in 2000 so they could pursue their love of golf and Ray's passion for softball.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Beyer's Funeral Home in Lady Lake, Florida on Monday, April 6, 2015 at 10:30 AM.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the The Villages Hospice, 601 Casa Bella, The Villages, FL 32162.

# Tribute Wall

SI

“ Pat We are at a loss for words right now, believe we are so hurt. But there is a God that heals all things if we just believe. Our son James is still so fresh in our hearts and minds and now Ray. We ask God to give you and the family peace and strength. If you need Sylvester and I for anything please do not hesitate to call us. Raymond was a great man with a kind heart. We will always keep the memories of our conversations and laughter close to our hearts. Love Sylvester & Jewel I'll be by to see you soon!

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**Sylvester & Jewel Ingram** - April 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Dear Pat and Family I send my love and my deepest condolences to you and your family. I had so hoped and prayed that Ray could overcome this situation. I wish I could have been with you at the services, I know had Ken been alive....we would have been there. I am presently vacationing in California with our son and family. My memories of Ray go way back....infact he was the one that set up the blind date between Ken and I. And of course I remember all the great times the 4 of us shared playing golf together....not only in Joliet but in Florida at your place. Pat.. I share your loss, I truly know what it feels like. But Ray is finally at peace with no more suffering and pain. I think of you often. Please stay in touch. Much Love, Barbara Molnar

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**Barbara Molnar** - April 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Dear pat and family, my heart feels your pain..."Ray Ray" is surely missed. He was so good in so many ways. Thanks to him I became hooked on power washing...bet he never expected that. Thanks, Ray for being part of my life. Sorry I can't be with you all today...but I will down to see Pat in April. Love, carol

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**Carol gentalen** - April 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Pat and family, My heart breaks for you! I'm always thinking about you and I'm praying for all of you and Ray! I love you Pat!

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**Patty LaRocca** - April 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ We have many fond memories of Ray. Loved our mini-vacations to your house when our kids were small. I remember our first trip to Las Vegas, which was also my first time on a plane....lot's of fun times !! He was a good man and he will be missed. Loved him.....

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**John & Sue Milligan** - April 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ DEAR PAT AND FAMILY,

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**ROSIE AND GENE SHEA** - April 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ DEAR PAT AND FAMILY, OUR SIINCERE SYMPATHY ON RAY'S PASSING.WE PLAYED IN A FOURSOME FOR SEVERAL YEARS. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

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**ROSIE AND GENE SHEA** - April 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“*###GESTURE###*

Regi & Chape - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“*Pat, We were so sad to hear about Ray's passing. We know he fought hard to stay with you. Chape has great memories of their softball games and golf days. We remember seeing your smiling faces at many Harbor Hills' parties and golf tournaments. Please keep these happy memories in your heart and remember that your Harbor Hills "family" is here to help you in any way you need us.*

Regi & Chape - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“*Raymond Van Dyke*

Regi & Chape - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LC

“*PAT, DAVE, MARK, VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS RAY WAS A RARE PERSON AND WAS ONE OF THE BEST INDIVIDUALS I HAVE EVER KNOWN. HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND.*

LEE AND JUDY CARMICHAEL - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“*Pat, we're thinking of you during this most difficult time. May the love of your friends and family as well as all the wonderful memories you and Ray shared help to bring you peace and comfort. BIG hugs to you. Max & Dale Wood*

Max & Dale Wood - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ I enjoyed playing golf with Ray when he was in town and I will miss seeing him, my thought and prayers are with the family

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**Tony Janes** - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EO

“ Aunt Pat, I was heartbroken to hear about Uncle Ray's passing. He was a great man that was taken to early. I have so many great memories of the two of you from growing up, including coming to visit you, which was one of my favorite things to do. I pray that you can find peace in this difficult time, and know that you are in our thoughts and prayers daily. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is anything at all I can do for you or the boys. May Uncle Ray rest in peace. Love, Erin, Tim, Cole, Alexis, Zoey, and baby Ordner

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**Erin Ordner** - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Dear Pat, Dave, and family, We want to extend our sincere condolences to you all. You are in our prayers during this time. Sincerely, Sig and Mary Lou Hjemvick

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**Sig and Mary Lou Hjemvick** - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Pat and family: It was a terrible day for me when I read that Ray had passed away. If you remember me I worked in the pro shop at Harbor Hills for many years and both you and Ray were some of my best friends. When I left and went to another job in golf Ray would come and buy product and talk about old times. I pray that the Lord will comfort you and your family in this time. I know all of your friends and I will be praying for you and your family . I would have been at the funeral but my job on that day prohibits me from attending. God bless you and your family. Always a friend Jim Eyler (Former Harbor Hills Pro shop employee.

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**Jim Eyler** - April 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Pat, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time. We will always remember you both as such a fun loving couple, and our mutual love of Shaffer's Chicken. We know that all of the wonderful times you shared with Ray will support you during this time. Fondly, Linda & Skip Haeuser

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**Skip & Linda Haeuser** - April 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ I am sorry to find out that your husband passed away. May he rest in peace until the Lord comes again. Pat Fuchs

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**Pat Fuchs** - April 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Dear Pat. So sorry to hear of Rays passing. Please. know that we are keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. John and Nancy McKee

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**John mckee** - April 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Pat, our thoughts are with you at this time. Family and friends will help you through the times ahead. God bless you all.

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**Chris and Jack Hill** - April 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Raymond Van Dyke

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March 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ Dear Pat and Family: We were so sorry to hear of Ray's passing. He really put up a good fight; but God must have bigger plans for him. So sorry that your friends here in Wilmington can't be with you at this difficult time. Please know that we're praying for you and hope that your many wonderful memories of Ray will bring you some comfort. Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Love, Donna & Bud

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**Bud & Donna Lombardi** - March 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM