



## Raymond Taylor

December 8, 1957 - April 12, 2024

Raymond Taylor of Gore, Virginia, passed away unexpectedly on April 12, 2024 at the age of 66.

Ray possessed a kind and happy-go-lucky disposition, a big smile for everyone he met, and was always fun to be around. Our family was not prepared for his life to be cut short so soon. We are devastated from this loss and he will forever be missed.

Ray was born on December 8, 1957 to Raymond and Hilda Taylor in the state of New York. After the family moved to Virginia, Ray then attended and graduated from James Wood High School. He recently joined and was baptized with the Ebenezer Christian Church.

Professionally, Ray worked as a technician for Washington Gas - but his real passion was driven by a love of all things outdoors. Hunting, fishing, shooting, and motorcycle and ATV riding were just a few of his countless open air hobbies. He also loved taking care of all different kinds of animals at his beautiful countryside residence in Gore, Virginia. In his spare time, Ray enjoyed being a member of Winchester Eagles Club Aerie #824.

Raymond was a loving Father and Son. He will always be remembered by his daughter, Nicole Carattini, his grandchildren Sophia and Chase Carattini, Father Raymond Taylor, Brothers Terry and Gary Taylor, Sister Mary Taylor, and his faithful companion of more than 10 years Renee Ross.

He is preceded in death by his daughter and angel Tiffany Rae Taylor and his loving mother Hilda Taylor.

A funeral will be 11:00 am Saturday in Phelps Funeral Chapel, 311 Hope Drive officiated by Pastor Tom Mounts. Burial will be in Shenandoah Memorial Park. Casket bearers will be Gary Taylor, Terry Taylor, Mike Anderson, Bill Foster, Andy Carattini, and Chase Carattini.

Friends will be received an hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JS

“ There will never be another Ray Taylor. Nobody could make you laugh more, naturally too. He was also a good person and would do anything for anyone. Seeing that he was recently baptized makes me happy. Rays going to be in Heaven.

JS - April 16, 2024 at 05:50 PM

BL

“ Well this breaks my heart. Many of special times since 1986. You will be missed by many especially your amazing family and friends. Your smile and laughter will always be remembered. Fly high Ray Ray.

Beth Luby - April 16, 2024 at 03:58 PM

TA

“ Im so gonna miss your smile and laughter in the Eagles!! You was my favorite!! RIP Ray

Tara - April 16, 2024 at 01:34 PM

CA

“ Ray Ray always had a smile on his face and he was always trying to make you smile/laugh. He treated my Mom like an absolute queen. I'm gonna miss you but I know you're up there with your Mom and please tell my Grandma hello... I love you.

CARENA - April 16, 2024 at 12:15 PM

DM

Ray Ray was a beloved patron of our American Legion Post 137 in Capon Bridge and always put a smile on everyone's face. He will be greatly missed.

Doug Mitchell - April 16, 2024 at 02:14 PM

BL

*Prayers to you and your family.*

**Beth Luby** - April 16, 2024 at 07:06 PM

RW

*Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends. God Bless.  
Ronnie and Vickie Wilkins*

**Ronnie and Vickie Wilkins** - April 17, 2024 at 07:58 AM

DT

*Ray was a fun guy and yes he will be missed.*

**Diana Teter** - April 17, 2024 at 11:23 AM