

## Raymond E. DeVries February 8, 1936 – April 12, 2021

The Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter of the life of Raymond Edward De Vries were completed on April 12, 2021. Ray was called Home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ. Ray was born on February 8, 1936, in Chicago, Illinois to Jacob Luz/Louis De Vries and Milly Rosey aka Rose Millie Newberry.

Ray entered the United States Air Force on Oct 3, 1955. He married his high school sweetheart, Nancy Katherine Reberg, on September 23, 1956 in Chicago, Illinois. The marriage produced two sons. Mark Edward De Vries, July 14, 1957 at Forbes Air Force Base, Topeka, Kansas and David Ray De Vries, Aug 29, 1958 at Kindley Air Force Base, Bermuda.

Church has always been an important part of Ray's life. Using his God given talent to serve his fellow members as Committee Chairman, Council member, President of Council and Church, Communion Assistant, and most recently at Faith Lutheran Church as a Reader and Greeter. If you are looking for Jesus, you will find him at Faith Lutheran Church. God has Blessed Ray in so many ways.

Ray was a Master Mason and Past Master of his Lodge; a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner. All of them for over 50 years. As a Shriner, Ray was a transport driver for children going to and from the Shriners Hospital to receive treatment.

In the mid 1990's Ray started to do Ancestry searches. He found out that his 4x Great Grandfather, Henry Carter, served in the North Carolina Militia during the Revolutionary War and was admitted into the Sons of the American Revolution, in November 1999. In 2010, Ray found that his 5x Great Grandfather Richard Collins, served in the Virginia Infantry. Ray was a Past President and Past Registrar of Alexander Hamilton Chapter TXSSAR/NSSAR.

Those that survive Ray are his wife of 64 plus years, Nancy Katherine Reberg De Vries; his son, Mark and his wife Terry; his son, David and his wife Leigh; his grandson, Peter and his wife Jessica and their children Juliette, Cole and Will; his granddaughter, Jessica and her husband Gregory Stone and their daughter, Fiona.

In lieu of flowers the family request that memorial contributions be made in Ray's memory to: Faith Lutheran Church, 4010 Williams Dr. Georgetown, TX 78628.

A Memorial Service will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 22nd, 2021 at Faith Lutheran Church, Georgetown. Following the service, at 11:00 a.m., Ray will receive the rendering of military honors by the United States Air Force at his Graveside Service in Killeen, Texas at the Central Texas State Veteran Cemetery, at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Pohland and Pastor Crowe will be presiding.

You may share a message or memory in the online memorial guestbook

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