



Mr. Raymond LeRoy Williams Jr.

July 1, 1963 - February 11, 2024

Raymond LeRoy Williams, Jr. was born on July 1, 1963, to Norma Ross Williams and the late Raymond LeRoy Williams, Sr. On February 11, 2024, sadly, he departed this life and entered eternal rest with our Lord.

Raymond attended Alexandria City Public Schools, and graduated in June of 1982, as a proud T.C. Williams Titan. After graduation, he went on to further his education at Chowan University in Murfreesboro, North Carolina. He graduated from Chowan University in 1984 with a degree in printing production and imaging technology. He pursued his passion for printing, which he gained from his uncle Norman and after a lifelong career as a printer, Raymond retired from Ernst & Young in 2022.

Raymond or “Doc” as he was affectionately called by friends, was an exceptional athlete. During his high school career as a Titan, he was an incredible basketball player, and an extraordinary football player. His talents caught the attention of several D1 Universities, and he was offered many scholarships to join teams to showcase that talent. Ray was a Chicago Bears fan and was often seen in his Chicago Bears jersey of the NFL Hall of Fame player, Dick Butkus. His love of sports led him to give back to our youth as a football and basketball coach. Ray coached teams within Alexandria and Fairfax County for over 30 years. His love of the game was so deep that his mom would tell the story of how she could get him to sit and watch the football

games on TV at age 3, which allowed her to do things around the house without having to worry about him.

While at Chowan, Ray met Linda Whitaker. In July 1988, they married and eventually became parents to Raymond LeRoy Williams III. Ray loved his family. He always had a story to tell about a family member or an event or a fond memory of his childhood. He knew just about all his cousins and loved being a part of a very large family. He loved history, especially the history of his hometown, Alexandria, VA and would share his knowledge whenever he could. Ray was always an optimist. He was always laughing, and talking, and you would never know when he was going through anything negative that life sometimes throws at us. And if anyone really knew Ray, you'd know that his all-time favorite musician is Prince. He would quickly and proudly tell you that he'd take Prince over Michael Jackson and could tell you Prince's catalogue of music like any music historian could.

Ray was a son, a brother, a friend and most importantly a father. He and his son shared a special bond that could never be broken.

Raymond is preceded in death by his father. He leaves to cherish his memory, an adored son, Raymond Williams III, his mother; Norma L. Williams, two sisters; Lisa M. Williams and Tisa Duncan, brother-in-law; Kareem Duncan, two nephews; Orlando R. Williams and Jordan Towler, seven aunts; Shirley A. Smith, Carlotta Parker, Victoria Robinson (Barbara), Marilyn Williams, Juanita Williams, Brenda Armstrong, and Carolyn Harris, four uncles; Cecil J. Ross (Towonda), Eddie Harris, Freddie Harris, and George Washington.

His memory will also be cherished by a host of beloved cousins and cherished friends. Raymond left a lasting impression on all he met, his presence will be missed, but will never be forgotten.

Cemetery Details

Private Alexandria, VA

Previous Events

Memorial Service and Mass

MAR 1. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Rita Catholic Church
3815 Russell Rd.
Alexandria , VA 22305

Tribute Wall

JH

“ R.I.P. BIG RAY, Keep spreading happiness with that huge smile. Very sad that you are no longer with us.

John Herrin



JOHN HERRIN - March 20, 2024 at 07:18 PM

MF

“ Murray Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raymond LeRoy Williams Jr.



Murray Family - March 01, 2024 at 11:16 AM

AF

“ Angie Grohman Fletcher planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Raymond LeRoy Williams Jr..

Angie Grohman Fletcher - February 29, 2024 at 11:01 AM

AF

“ Angie Grohman Fletcher purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mr. Raymond LeRoy Williams Jr..



Angie Grohman Fletcher - February 29, 2024 at 11:01 AM

AF

“Hey Ang” The greeting Ray always met me with. Didn’t matter if we were talking about 80’s Hair Bands, Prince, Heart or some other band. Music was Ray’s jam. He was larger than life. The only thing bigger was his heart. Coaching. Being there for friends and family. Turning your frown upside down. His infectious laugh. Always smiling and joking. So proud of his baby boy who is not such a baby anymore. I will miss you so much. My life was so much better for having you in it. My heart goes out to all his family and friends. Rest in peace, Doc. Thank you for being there when I needed you most. I’ll never forget you.

Angie Grohman Fletcher - February 29, 2024 at 10:53 AM

TP

“ The Max Family (Crystal, Cheri & Pat) purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Raymond LeRoy Williams Jr..



The Max Family (Crystal, Cheri & Pat) - February 28, 2024 at 08:10 PM

KT

“ Ray was always there for me; in the times of need he always met me with his infectious laugh and a soothing comment of, " I gotcha Canada". I will truly miss him, and send all my love and hugs to his family!

Kristen Thompson - February 27, 2024 at 07:24 PM

KT

“ Kristen T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Raymond LeRoy Williams Jr..

Kristen T. - February 27, 2024 at 07:18 PM

WH

“ My Deepest Condolences to the Ross and Williams family in this difficult time Praying God Comfort and Peace Wendy Burtshenderson family.



Wendy Henderson - February 27, 2024 at 02:07 PM

DJ

“ David Lewis, Jr. purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Raymond LeRoy Williams Jr..



David Lewis, Jr. - February 26, 2024 at 06:57 PM

VR

“ To my nephew Raymond Leroy Williams Jr. that beautiful smile is already missed your laugh your intelligence our conversations we would. Big Ray RIHP. Auntie Vickie

Victoria Ross - February 24, 2024 at 12:29 AM

BL

“ *My Deepest Sympathy and Condolences to the Ross and Williams family. I am so sorry for your loss. Brenda Thompson Laster and Family.*

Brenda Thompson Laster - February 23, 2024 at 11:03 PM

DE

“ *2 files added to the album Tribute Wall*



Dena - February 23, 2024 at 05:03 PM

DE

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Dena - February 23, 2024 at 04:53 PM

TD

“ *My brother, the first man to love me and I knew it, my first friend. Your boisterous laugh, presence and stories will be missed. 😭*
Tisa

Tisa W. Duncan - February 22, 2024 at 02:40 PM