



Raymond Joseph Carr

November 19, 2023

Raymond “Ray” Joseph Carr, 71 of Warwick, passed away on November 19, 2023 after a two-and-half year battle with Vascular Dementia. He was the beloved husband of Lori Ann (Flynn) Carr to whom he was happily married for over 43 years.

Ray was born in Providence, RI on June 15, 1952, to Raymond and Frances (Autieri) Carr. He grew up in Cranston with his sisters Rosemary (Carr) Thompson and Carol (Carr) Claprod, and his beloved predeceased sister Elizabeth (Carr) Pezzullo. Ray is survived by his three children, Erin (Carr) Varsalone and husband Jeffrey, Eric Carr, and Michael Carr and wife Mackenzie (Clifton) Carr; and two beloved grandchildren, Aria Elizabeth Varsalone (7) and Harrison Michael Carr (6 months).

Upon graduating high school, Ray proudly served in the U.S. Army for three years. Following his service and under the apprenticeship of his father, Ray began working as a toolmaker at Rau Fastener, a leading distributor of metal snap fasteners in the nation. He quickly progressed to become a master toolmaker and later a manager of the tool room/operations of Scovill Fasteners upon relocating to Georgia in 2000. He devoted over 40 years to the manufacturing industry prior to his retirement.

Ray loved spending time with family and friends and was immensely proud of

his children and grandchildren. He had a zest for life and enjoyed the simple joys of Italian cooking and red wine, and of sharing laughter with family, friends and fur babies. Ray had a passion for the outdoors and fishing, camping trips with his family, Sunday Football games and the Patriots, the Beetles, and visiting the ocean year round. To those that did not know him well, he may have appeared as man of “few words”. To those who know him very well, he was a man of many thoughts, a deep and analytical thinker, a careful and thoughtful communicator. His family would describe him as a gifted listener.

Ray always had a natural ability to just enjoy the moment - to notice what's there. His granddaughter, Aria, would pick up on this trait in him and enjoyed volunteering him to be the center of her imaginary world. His children, Erin, Eric, and Michael, are grateful for his many gifts, for working so very hard for his family, and for teaching them the value of listening and of cherishing each day they are gifted with on this earth. He has given them the blueprint of how to live a life full of kindness, loyalty, and much needed humor. His spirit and light will continue to live on through his children and through his grandchildren, Aria and baby Harrison.

A private Veterans Burial Service for Raymond will be held at the Rhode Island Veterans Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in his honor may be made to the Alzheimer and Dementia Association.

Tribute Wall

SL

“ *Lori and Family, So very sorry to hear of your husbands passing. God's Peace and Love to your entire Family*

Sean & Patricia Lanigan - January 02, 2024 at 01:11 PM

AA

“ *Ray was always the best! Great sense of humor and a family man. Nothing but great memories as a kid. To Eric, Mikey, Lori, Erin and the entire family, we are so sorry for your loss. Love you guys. He's in a better place!*

God bless you guys in these tough times

Anthony Anderson, Molly, and Baby Sophia

Anthony Anderson - December 30, 2023 at 06:33 PM

JA

“ *So sorry for your loss Lori and his family I worked with Ray at Rau fastener in providence had many of good times and lunches with Ray miss those times Jack Toolin*

JackToolin - December 13, 2023 at 08:54 PM

KP

“ *I worked with Ray at Rau, he sure was a good man to work with and friend. Rest In Peace my friend.*

ken pichette - December 13, 2023 at 06:56 PM

RA

“ Sorry for your loss. Many memories when we visited each others' families.

Bob, Michael, and Chip(Albert) Autieri.

ROBERT AUTIERI - December 13, 2023 at 05:07 PM

SM

“ Lori and family-Frank and I were so sorry to hear of Rays passing. It seems like yesterday we were talking over the fence and just laughing over any old thing. Ray was always a good man and will be missed. Sue and Frank Mastrati

Susan Mastrati - December 13, 2023 at 11:49 AM

DA

“ Lori - we are so sorry to hear of Ray's passing - we will always remember the fun times we had together as our children were growing up! Our prayers are with you and your family!
Love, Bill and Debbie Arrighie

Debbie Arrighie - December 13, 2023 at 10:55 AM

JC

“ My deepest sympathies and condolences to Lori and all of Ray's family. He was a trusted and valued colleague for many, many years. More importantly to me, he was my friend. Rest in peace, my friend.

John H Champagne - November 29, 2023 at 07:35 PM

LA

“ Ray was a Great Man. He was very kind and always helped others. It was a pleasure working with him for many years. He was a good friend and will be missed greatly.
My thoughts and prayers are with his family.
Rest in peace Ray.
Laz

Laszlo - November 29, 2023 at 07:28 PM

JM

“ So sorry to hear about Ray. Thoughts and prayers for the family and friends. I worked with Ray at Scoville.

John Moon - November 29, 2023 at 06:34 PM