



Rev. Raymond S. Coleman, Jr.

March 9, 1955 - July 21, 2024

Rev. Raymond S. Coleman, Jr., age 69, of Douglas, Georgia went to be with his Lord and Savior on Sunday, July 21, 2024 at Vista Park Health and Rehabilitation Center, where he had resided since his failing health. He was born into the world on March 9, 1955 in Jacksonville, Florida to the late Raymond S. Coleman, Sr. and Mrs. Laverne Williams Coleman. Rev. Coleman was a retired minister in the Southern Baptist Association and was a member of Northside Baptist Church. He received his undergraduate degree from Mercer University then went on to study at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky where he obtained his PhD. While in Louisville he met and married the love of his life, Glennis M. Cleveland, who shared his ministry for 44 years until her death earlier this year. Together Rev. and Mrs. Coleman had one son, Chris Coleman. Rev. Coleman pastored several churches during his ministry, including: Friendship Baptist Church in Doerun, Georgia; Bethel Baptist Church in Americus, Georgia; Graham Baptist Church in San Jacinto, Indiana; Union Baptist Church in Pitts, Georgia. In the latter days of his ministry he served as Associational Missionary of the Smyrna Baptist Association and also taught math classes at South Georgia State College for several years. Rev. Coleman loved the Lord with all his heart, was a lifelong Atlanta Braves fan, had a great love for history and education, and was a train enthusiast.

Rev. Coleman leaves behind to cherish his memory his mother, Laverne

Williams Coleman of Americus, Georgia, and his son, Chris Coleman of Lilburn, Georgia. He was preceded in death by his wife, Glennis M. Cleveland Coleman, and his father, Raymond S. Coleman, Sr.

Rev. Coleman's family will receive friends on Friday, August 2, 2024 from 7:00-9:00 PM at Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc. His life and ministry will be honored by a funeral on Saturday, August 3, 2024 at 2:00 PM at Northside Baptist Church in Douglas, Georgia with Rev. Kenneth White officiating. Burial will follow in the Douglas City Cemetery where he will be laid to rest next to his beloved wife.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com.

Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc. is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Douglas City Cemetery

1622 North Gaskin Avenue
Douglas, GA 31533

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 2. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.
305 West Ward Street
Douglas, GA 31533
(912) 384-1155
ricketsonfunhm@windstream.net
<https://www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

AUG 3. 2:00 PM (ET)

Northside Baptist Church
2489 Douglas Broxton Highway
Douglas, GA 31533

Interment

AUG 3 (ET)

Douglas City Cemetery
1622 North Gaskin Avenue
Douglas, GA 31533

Tribute Wall

SS

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Ray's passing. He was a great man. I first met him when we both worked in the Accounting office at Southern Seminary in the 1980's. I loved hearing his stories. When he found out that my husband and I were going to serve in Southeast Georgia, he had many stories and bits of information to share about Georgia. Sue Stack

Sue Stack - August 01, 2024 at 03:02 PM

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“ Though it's been over 10 years since we last had a chance to talk, I will always remember Dr. Coleman. He was my math professor but became more of a friend after hours of talking about Dr. Who and Monty Python. I was never very good at math but he never gave up on me and went out of his way to give me make up tests and extra time. I would have loved one more goofy conversation with him. I know he is somewhere better now but I'll miss him all the same.

Brett Hawkins - July 30, 2024 at 02:30 PM

RF

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Ray Fussell - July 27, 2024 at 10:51 AM

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A sweet memory with The Coleman's at VBS Northside Baptist 2023

Lynn Fussell - July 27, 2024 at 02:44 PM

LC

Ray and I attended Mercer University in Atlanta. He and I traveled together to Israel several years ago.

Ray was a brilliant man with a great personality! I always enjoyed our times together at the Annual Associational Missionary Workshops each year,

Ray was a statesmen and a Churchman for Southern Baptist. He will be missed by myself and other colleagues!

Dr. Larry Cheek

Retired Missionary

Stone Mountain Baptist Association

Oxford GA

Larry Cheek - August 07, 2024 at 05:34 PM



Such a great couple I had a honor to be there caregiver for a few month last year when he was at home. But under circumstances had to move away I'm so sorry and so heartbroken to hear this ☐💔

Jennifer Howell - September 08, 2024 at 01:13 PM