



Raymond Moody

April 6, 1942 - January 5, 2022

Raymond Cleo Moody, 79, of Houston, Texas went to be with his Lord and Savior on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. Raymond was born on April 6, 1942 in Nashville, Tennessee to Doris and Thomas Moody. As a young boy, his family moved to Houston, Texas, Raymond joined the United States Navy at a young age of 18. In 1961, he was deployed to Cuba and serviced in the Bay of Pigs. His next assignment sent him to Hong Kong for a short stay. He was then deployed to Hawaii where he and his shipmates were in charge of the cleanup of sunken vessels from Pearl Harbor. He honored his country and held high respect for the American flag.

After returning to the US, he met his wife of the next 20 years and together they had four children. Raymond worked as many as four jobs at a time to provide for his young family. These hard years shaped his high work ethic that followed him throughout his life. Raymond never let fear keep him from a business venture. He had numerous businesses throughout his life and worked for himself far more years than he ever worked for someone else. He would tell us "just work hard and everything else will take care of itself."

Raymond remarried in his early forties and was fortunate enough to gain three additional sons that he mentored and loved as his own. He loved his family with every ounce of his being and would do anything for them. He never missed a visit with his late mother, Doris and loved her dearly. The only negative word he ever had for her was "I can't believe you named me Cleo." Boy he hated that middle name. Of course she would remind him how he was

named after his grandfather.

Although Raymond's latter years were marred by health issues, he never lost his quick wit, sense of humor or kind nature. Those of us who were lucky enough to know him will miss this fine man until our dying days. If you knew him you knew he was a true friend, a loyal brother, a great father and a wonderful Pawpaw to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Raymond is preceded in death by his mother and father Mattie Doris and Thomas Allen Moody, sister Vera May, brothers Calvin, Steve and Paul Moody.

He is survived by his children, Rhonda Tavey, Rodney Moody, Randy Moody (Chassy), Rachelle Moody (Vince), Brandon Holland (Leslie), Jason Holland (Miriam) and Larry Holland, sisters Dorothy Lemons, Mary Houston (Wesley), Betty Bright, Brothers Thomas Moody, Larry Moody (Patricia), grandchildren Katie Tavey (Emily), Lauren Tavey, Trey Thomas, Ashley Garza, Rowdy Moody, Jaycee Holland Gerac (Patrick), Jaylynn Holland, Jason Dean Holland, Taylor Holland (Colton), Madison Bryant (Harrison), Kyleigh Holland, Ricky Holland and Tori Holland. Great Grandchildren Luka and Maeli Tavey-Nicks, Lexalynn, Addylonn, Jaylin, Raelyn, Jaycelin and Tayzlynn Tavey, Brynleigh Bryant and numerous nieces and nephews that he loved dearly. There aren't enough words to do justice for this wonderful man, the world has lost a good one. As he loved to say, spoken by the words in his favorite song by Frank Sinatra... "I DID IT, MY WAY"

Well done my Good and Faithful Servant, your work here is done.

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond Moody*

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