



Mr. Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr.

September 13, 1951 - September 11, 2020

Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr. of Washington, DC peacefully departed this life on September 11, 2020. He was survived by his children Courtney, Raleigh III, Rashad, Rahmad, Camille and 2 grandchildren. He is also survived by a loving partner Cynthia Butler, sister Deborah Steiner, close niece Yolanda Spencer, 10 other nieces and nephews, and a host of loving cousins, family and friends. A private Memorial Service will be held on September 18, 2020 at Pope Funeral Home, Forestville, MD. It can also be viewed online at www.popefh.com. A Celebration of Life will be held next September 2021 in his honor.

Cemetery Details

Chesapeake Crematory

10771 Tucker St
Beltsville, MD 20705

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel
5538 MARLBORO PIKE
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

Tribute Wall



“ *Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr.*



Pope Funeral Homes - September 18, 2020 at 01:52 PM



*My thoughts and prayers are with you doing this difficult time. Raleigh and I went to McKinley together he was a real nice and sweet guy. Peace & Blessings,
Faye (Williams) Bell
Class of 71*

Faye Bell - September 18, 2020 at 04:34 PM



My prayers go out to the family and friends of Raleigh. May God give you strength and comfort during this time of bereavement. Absent from the body, present with the Lord.

Rita Thomas - September 19, 2020 at 01:20 AM



“ *Mr. Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mr. Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM

AD

“ I have been calling Raleigh Powell's phone for months or waiting for a phone call from him. We would check in with each other every few months just to keep in touch.



So I was truly saddened to read about Raleigh Powell's death. I never called him Raliegh, it was always "Raleigh Powell" and he always called me "Frenchie". We worked together at IBM, then he became my family's go-to guy whenever we needed HVAC or plumbing work done. I will miss his infectious laugh and his funny stories.

My deepest condolences to Raleigh Powells family. He will truly be missed as he was one of a kind. A true gentle giant.

Rest In Peace,
Alisa

Alisa Dotson - June 17, 2021 at 06:23 AM

CP

“ I was saddened to hear of Raleigh's demise. May fond memories replace your void.

Che' Partee - September 23, 2020 at 06:56 AM

GR

“ knew raleigh from tech, he knew all the hand dance crowd, last saw him at the annual huge crab feast in cambridge md. rip sir!

granville - September 18, 2020 at 05:49 PM

RS

“ *My thoughts and prayers to "Pumpkin"s" family
Love Robbyn Steiner*

Robbyn Steiner - September 18, 2020 at 03:20 PM

RS

“ *Robbyn Steiner lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr.*



Robbyn Steiner - September 18, 2020 at 03:17 PM



“ *Thoughts & Prayers was purchased for the family
of Mr. Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr..*



September 18, 2020 at 02:50 PM



“ *Scrumpy. That's the name you gave me when I was 9 or 10 years old now I'm 62 that's the name you said when I walked through the doors of the hospital to see you about two years ago scrumpy, I got nothing but great memories of you ,we had the best times at 1926 Newton Street sitting on the porch you coming in with Chinese food lots of fun and laughs, I want to thank the Powell family for sharing Raleigh with us because it was the best time of my life growing up with him he will truly be missed and never forgotten peace and love to his family.*



Lawrence Covington - September 18, 2020 at 02:02 PM



“ *God rest you, Raleigh* ☩☩



Karen Wilbanks - September 18, 2020 at 01:46 PM



“ *Raleigh was an outgoing, humorous, and friendly kinda guy. Always ready to tackle a task. I guess that is a holdover from his football days 😊 He has left us too soon 😞. Karen Wiggs*

Karen Wilbanks - September 18, 2020 at 01:43 PM

RM

“ Robert McMillon

Raleigh was an Edgewood/Brookland neighborhood friend & fellow Techite. Raleigh always worked very hard at whatever he did, but also loved to party and enjoyed the good life! We would usually run into each other at the Go-Go or house party. Raleigh was also instrumental in helping me successfully accomplish my home improvement and real estate activities. But bottom line, Raleigh was a really nice person and always willing to go the extra mile! Rest in Peace Big Guy - You will definitely be missed!

Robert McMillon - September 18, 2020 at 01:29 PM

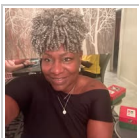


“ Raleigh was a great friend and always came to support in time of need. He will be missed... rest in heaven my friend until we meet again.

Family: May the memories held deep inside your heart help comfort you... You're in my prayers with deepest sympathy. God Bless.

Joyceeee @Bowie, MD

Joyce Tabbs - September 18, 2020 at 01:24 PM



“ Joyce Tabbs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr.



Joyce Tabbs - September 18, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ *Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs...I met Raleigh when I was 13 years old. We were neighbors on Irving St NE. We both went to McKinley and did a lot fun things with our "crew" from the neighborhood. I used to look forward to seeing him every year at the annual fathers day picnic at Tatum's house. Wow, I'm gonna miss you big guy !*

May you continue to rest in heavenly peace

Pamela McGill (Pettigrew)

P - September 18, 2020 at 10:29 AM



“ *Ernie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raleigh Romeo Powell, Jr.*



Ernie - September 18, 2020 at 09:58 AM



“ *I met Raleigh in 7th grade at Taft JHS and I didn't like him at all. He pestered me every single day in the lunchroom asking me to go out on a date with him. I gave him a personal challenge which we all thought he would never do, but good old Raleigh met the challenge and to save face I was forced to go on a date with him. Turns out that he became my first childlove love and 55 years later I still loved him. My heart felt condolences to the family and all who loved him.*

Betty Broadwater Hoke - September 18, 2020 at 07:18 AM

A(

“ I played football at McKinley Tech with Raleigh. He played hard on the field but was always humorous in the locker room. He was affectionately known to us a Hoghead. RIP Champion! We'll see you again. TECHITES4LIFE!!!

Andrew Johnson (Drew) - September 18, 2020 at 06:06 AM

DS

“ Raleigh was the kindest person. He taught me how to drive. He scared the heck out of me on the interstate. His rules when I say let go you let go of the wheel and go means step on the gas. He was smooth on his feet when on the dance floor. My dad loved Raleigh like a son. He was the only person my dad would let drive his car. Raleigh was part of the family.

Raleigh, I will always think about you and miss you. You introduced me to the love of my life. Thank you for always being there no matter how much time had passed since we talked.

Diane Smith - September 17, 2020 at 08:54 PM

 Renata
Hedrington
Jones

“ I met Raleigh in either junior high(Taft) or at Tech. He was always kind, funny, friendly, and genuine. His smile and his heartfelt love for everyone will always be remembered. Today it is raining as the ancestors and angels rejoice because one of their own has returned.

*To God be the Glory,
Dr. Renata Hedrington Jones
(Tech 71)*

Renata Hedrington Jones - September 17, 2020 at 12:10 PM

CJ

“ May God continue to bless you and comfort you during this time, as only time will lessen the feeling of loss.

Crystal Jones - September 17, 2020 at 10:55 AM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss
Jesus Christ Loves Me
We Love You



Thomas Widgeon - September 17, 2020 at 08:10 AM

TB

Sorry for your loss. We attended school together, and also worked together at IBM. He will truly be missed, but he is at real peace now.

Tonie Yolkum Brown - September 17, 2020 at 01:41 PM

DB

Raleigh, the 'gentle Giant and my dear friend for 45 years. Your great personality and compassion for life will be missed and remembered. Thanks for going the extra mile to fix my A/C 2 years ago guy. 😊 Love you Courtney! You and your siblings have my deepest condolences.



Denise L. Brooks - September 18, 2020 at 01:43 PM

MG

I was saddened to hear the passing of such a nice and comical guy. I met Raleigh and his partner, Sam at the Eclipse Club. It was always a pleasure talking and joking around with him. My prayers and heartfelt condolences to Raleigh's family. RIHP.

Maxine Grant - September 19, 2020 at 12:49 AM

NM

“ Rest in Peace Uncle Raleigh and thank you for the memories and the lessons you taught me about home improvements. And you for the the work you've done for me and my family and friend's ❤️. You will be truly missed by us all.



Norris Mitchell - September 16, 2020 at 08:10 PM

LA

Diane Thompkins Andrews

My deepest sympathy and condolences is extended to the family. Our friendship dates back over 40 years ago. We met at The Kalorama Road Roller Skating Rink through my ex-Husband Mike Lewis, Sr. and we later became very good friends. Our children and other family members also became good friends. Raleigh was a good dancer. We danced at hand dance clubs where he enjoyed socializing with friends. He was a storyteller and would always have a good funny story to share. He was a very knowledgeable and smart business man. You could always count on receiving good sound advice from him. I remember we use to have weekly seafood feast at our house. We loved eating crabs. He could eat a half bushel by himself 😊 and would never turn down a good meal. We talked frequently on the phone and he would never share how sick he was. He was a caring and modest man. He loved his children and grandkids and we often shared stories about our family. I thank God for our friendship, continue to Rest In Peace, love and miss you.

Diane Thompkins Andrews

L. Diane Thompkins Andrews - September 18, 2020 at 03:49 PM

DC

“ Raleigh played a huge part in my life. I met him when I was working at Footes Plumbing. He always helped me out on jobs where I couldn't figure the issue out dealing with a heat system. He always told me to never let anybody get over on me. He connected me with many of my customers I have today. Also with other tradesmen who I can call when I need assistance. Raleigh will truly be missed. This hurt me alot. You were a true friend indeed. I met you when I got into plumbing as a rookie. Without your assistance and Mr footes I wouldn't be who I am today. THANKS!!!! For all you've done for me.
- Donald

donald coates - September 16, 2020 at 04:28 PM