



## Raymond Michalski, Sr.

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Raymond John Michalski Sr., 79, passed away peacefully on November 2, 2024. He was born on January 27, 1945, and was a lifelong resident of the Baltimore area, having lived in Glen Burnie, Kent Island, and Edgemere over the years. Most people knew him as Ray, but he was known as 'Yash' to his Polish relatives.

Ray was a man of many talents and had a remarkable career that spanned numerous industries. After graduating from Sparrows Point High School in 1964, he served briefly in the United States Army. He was a musician, playing guitar in several bands and recording three records with Joey Welz and the Cruisinares in the 1960's. He was mechanically gifted and loved to work with his hands. His work life was defined by hard work, versatility, and a commitment to craftsmanship. He built beautiful furniture and honed his skills as a woodworker, a passion that he carried throughout his life.

Earlier in his life Ray worked as a Crain Operator at Bethlehem Steel, a Port

Agent and Stevedore for the Port of Baltimore, a manager at Radio Shack, a truck driver, an outboard motor mechanic, and a bartender. While at Radio Shack he won Salesman of The Year for the mid-Atlantic region. He also became a designer and installer for Decorating Den, where his attention to detail and creativity earned him respect in the design community.

Above all, Ray was a devoted father and grandfather. He is survived by his son, Raymond Michalski Jr., and his beloved grandchildren, Spencer and Miles, who were the light of his life. His family was always at the heart of everything he did. Few of his grandchildren's events or special occasions were missed while he was in good health.

Ray was a quiet man with a big heart, known for his kind nature and tendency to always be out and about visiting and helping friends, earning him the nickname 'Roaming Ray'. His family, friends, and colleagues will always remember him for his generosity, humor, and the many ways he touched the lives of those around him.

He will be dearly missed.

Service and burial details will be made available in the coming weeks.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *\"Raymond Michalski, Sr.\\\" will remain in our hearts forever.*

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**Anonymous** - November 15, 2024 at 03:41 PM

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“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Raymond Michalski, Sr.** - November 07, 2024 at 10:37 AM