



Joe Rannie Layne Jr.

May 6, 1941 - August 11, 2019

Joe R. Layne, the son of Lenora Turner Layne and the late Joe R. Layne Sr. of Goochland, Virginia was born on May 6, 1941. He transitioned from this life at the age of 78 on August 11, 2019, at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond, Virginia. Joe was preceded in death by his sister Delores Layne.

He was educated in the Goochland County Public School System. Joe retired from the Commonwealth of Virginia, VCU/MCV Hospital, where he worked for over thirty years. After retirement, he worked in his son's landscaping and lawn care business for over 30 years.

Joe accepted Christ at a very early age, Chief Cornerstone Baptist Church, Goochland. He was a member of the Richmond Lodge #65, Prince Hall Free and Accepted Masons of Virginia, where he formally served as Most Worshipful Master. Joe was an active member for more than 40 years and enjoyed attending meetings and classes. He enjoyed hunting and was a member of the Goochland Hunting Club, today known as "Young Bucks". More importantly, he loved his family, and relished spending time with family and friends.

He leaves to cherish his memories: devoted wife, Gertrude Gilliam Layne of 55 years; two sons, Rannie S. Layne (Darin) and Dwight W. Layne (Melanie); grandchildren, Amber Zhane, Rannie Brenten, Camden Dwight and Carsen

Swann Layne; honorary grandson, Quron Dandridge; two brothers, Eugene “Tommy” (Channie) and Lloyd W. Layne (Barbara); two sisters, Ruby M. Jackson (Arthur) and Joyce Layne Jordon (Sekou Shabaka); two sisters-in-law, Thelma Allen and Otelia Gilliam; aunt, Lucille Craven; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Joe’s presence will be missed; however, the impact he had on his family, friends, and community will long be felt and remembered.

Remembering Joe – I’d like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I’d like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I’d like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 16. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life

AUG 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
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Tribute Wall



“ *Joe Rannie Layne Jr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *To Ruby, Joyce, Lloyd and family, may the memories of Joe be a source of comfort. God bless you and keep you in His loving care.
Patricia A. Randolph*

Patricia Randolph - August 17, 2019 at 01:49 PM



“ *Roslyn De Cordova lit a candle in memory of
Joe Rannie Layne Jr.*



Roslyn de Cordova - August 17, 2019 at 10:03 AM



“ *Our sincere sympathy to your family in the loss of such a wonderful acquaintance. Our association was through the landscaping business. Such a great smile and always a cheerful hello accompanied it.. We were truly blessed to have crossed paths with this gentleman. Thinking of you and pray Gods comfort..*

Carrie and Leonard "Woody" Woodall

carrie woodall - August 16, 2019 at 06:38 PM

PJ

“ Sorry to hear of Brother Joe Layne’s passing. We have been Lodge brothers over 30 years. Pastor Worshipful Master, Walter H. Myers, Jr.

Past Master W. H Myers, Jr. - August 16, 2019 at 05:58 PM

LR

“ We are sending our love as you go through this difficult time. Walter and Lavoris Rivera



Lavoris Rivera - August 16, 2019 at 01:12 PM

AJ

“ Sending my deepest sympathy to the family. You are in my prayers.

Angela Joaquin - August 16, 2019 at 06:21 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joe Rannie Layne Jr..



August 16, 2019 at 06:16 AM

HG

“ My deepest sympathies to the family. May God send his comforter to the family in their hour of sorrow.
I remember when I first met Joe. I was assigned to him for education to become a master mason. I remember the stories he told about him being in the same journey I was about to embark on. He shined the light that led the way for me to become a master mason. His attention to detail inspired me along the way to reach my goal.
There's a place in my heart could not be filled with his going on. I will always use him as a model for the mason I will use for myself.

Horace K. Green - August 15, 2019 at 03:32 PM

BS

“ My deepest sympathies to Rannie and Dwight and Mrs. Layne. I was lucky to meet Joe through his wonderful boys and enjoy his infectious smile and good humor. A charming and kind man, he will be missed by all of us whose lives he touched. May the peace that comes from the memories of love shared with your dad and husband comfort you now and in the days ahead. Barbara and Stuart Simon

barbara simon - August 14, 2019 at 12:52 PM

KP

To the Layne Family, We met years ago through my late aunt, Jessie Collins, who was your former neighbor. Back then I remembered your residence as the best manicured yard in the neighborhood. The Layne family have our deepest sympathy. "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal. Love leaves a memory no one can steal." May the memory of his love remain in your hearts from this day forward. Peace,

Karen Pleasants - August 14, 2019 at 02:29 PM

AS

“ *Your family is in my prayers. I know it's never easy losing someone you love. Cherish all of the wonderful memories you have. Blessings, Andrea Stockman.*

Andrea Stockman - August 13, 2019 at 07:40 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - August 12, 2019 at 04:46 PM