



Raymon "Dollar Bill" Cheatham Jr.

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Raymon Dee "Dollar Bill" Cheatham, Jr., 73, passed away at his home on Monday, November 22, 2021. He was born in Cole Pool, Oklahoma at the family home on October 9, 1948 to Raymon D. and Pauline (Garrett) Cheatham. The family moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1955 where he attended Tulsa Public Schools and graduated from Memorial High School in 1966.

He began his long-time employment with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on August 1, 1966. After his year-long deployment in Vietnam, he was re-employed by the Corps in May, 1970. He worked there for 35 years beginning as a draftsman and retired as Supervisor of the Support Services and Printing Section, Information Management Office.

"Dollar Bill" volunteered for the U.S. Naval Reserves in the Fall of 1968. He served a 356-day tour in Vietnam returning to Tulsa in May, 1970. He was honorably discharged October 1973. He chose to serve his country and was honored to do so. He was a proud member of the Cherokee Nation and on September 11, 2017, he was presented with the Medal of Patriotism and the Warrior Award in appreciation of his military service.

"Dollar Bill" met the love of his life, Jean Smither, in September 1967. After their first date on October 7, 1967 they were inseparable. They were married April 5, 1969 just three weeks before his deployment. With the exception of the first year being apart, they were happily married 52 years and totally devoted to each other. From this loving union, they were blessed with two wonderful sons, Daniel and Mitchell. He is survived by his loving wife, Jean; sons Daniel (Neva) and Mitchell (Tracey) Cheatham; God-son Michael (Heather) Smither; and his adorable, loving granddaughter, Elle. He is also survived by his brother Gary (Helen) Cheatham; sisters Gayle (Ken) Yates and Mary (Allen) Trammell; brother Tommy Cheatham; and many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and his beloved Uncle Dick, whom he admired



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greatly and adored.

Flowers and plants are welcomed, but also consider making a contribution to your favorite charity in his name.

"Dollar Bill" was a lovable, caring, compassionate man who loved his family and friends and always had a smile, joke, and helping hand for all. He will be missed by every one of us.

Memorial services will be held at 12:30 pm on Thursday, December 2, 2021 at Floral Haven Chapel.




Events


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Memorial Celebration

 **Thursday**, December 2, 2021

 12:30 PM CT

 **Floral Haven Funeral Home**
6500 S. 129th E. Ave., Broken Arrow OK 74012





Tribute Wall

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Darlene lit a candle in honor of Raymon.
Darlene lit a candle in memory of Raymon Cheatham

January 4 at 10:19 PM



Joy Raby Chambers lit a candle in honor of Raymon.

February 13 at 7:05 AM



Wanda "Kris" Graves posted:

I guess I never knew his name wasn't Bill Cheatham.....I'm sure there is a story behind the Dollar Bill name. He was a great guy. I enjoyed working with him

December 16 at 12:51 PM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Cheatham family.

December 1 at 1:46 PM



The Worthingtons sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Cheatham family.

December 1 at 10:52 AM



Anonymous sent an A Full Life to the Cheatham family.

December 1 at 6:08 AM





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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Cheatham family.

December 1 at 4:53 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Cheatham family.

December 1 at 4:39 AM



The Delarzelere'S (The Neighbors) sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Cheatham family.

December 1 at 4:16 AM



Stacy Ambrose lit a candle in honor of Raymon.

November 30 at 1:15 PM



Mitchell W Cheatham lit a candle in honor of Raymon.

November 30 at 8:50 AM



Mitchell W Cheatham sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Cheatham family.

November 30 at 8:48 AM





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MB

Mary Beaty posted:

I worked with Bill in the early 80's at the Corps of Engineers. Always had a smile on his face and made my day better. Thought to his family.

November 30 at 7:00 AM

DC

Daniel Cheatham November 30 at 1:21 PM

Thank you for your wonderful message.

RP

Rick And Tami Parker sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Cheatham family.



November 30 at 2:11 AM

LI

Lissa sent a virtual gift in honor of Raymon.



November 29 at 5:23 PM

LI

Lissa lit a candle in honor of Raymon.



November 29 at 5:23 PM

SB

Stephanie, Ben, And Tommy Branch sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Cheatham family.



November 29 at 7:49 AM

BS

Bob And Marsha Schafer sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Cheatham family.



November 27 at 4:52 AM



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DC

Daniel Cheatham sent a virtual gift in honor of Raymon.

November 25 at 9:22 PM



DC

Daniel Cheatham sent a virtual gift in honor of Raymon.

November 25 at 9:21 PM



DC

Daniel Cheatham lit a candle in honor of Raymon.

November 25 at 9:18 PM



FT

Flo And Tom Tadpole sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Cheatham family.

November 25 at 4:45 AM



CW

Cathey Williams lit a candle in honor of Raymon.

November 24 at 9:35 PM



DC

Daniel Cheatham lit a candle in honor of Raymon.

November 24 at 3:01 PM





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Dustin Bryan posted:

Dollar Bill/"Second Dad" was one of the coolest men I ever knew. He always seemed to appreciate the little things in life. He made sure to document as much as he could. He also valued every moment he had with family. We are all very lucky to have had him in our lives. I am very grateful to have known him and for how he helped to shape my life. The Cheatham family is in the Bryan family's thoughts and prayers.

November 24 at 12:28 PM



Daniel Cheatham November 30 at 1:24 PM

Thank you for your kind words and memories.



Joyce Thomas November 28 at 2:53 PM

So sorry to hear of Bill (Mazepa as we called him). He and family were great friends to Donn Thomas, my husband , and our family. He has a wonderful family and he will be dearly missed



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Raymon by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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