



## Mr. Raymond Nathaniel Compton Sr.

June 9, 1943 - March 8, 2020

Mr. Raymond Nathaniel Compton, Sr., 76, of Peoria, IL passed away peacefully at 5:43 pm on Sunday, March 8, 2020 at his home surrounded by his family.

Raymond was born on June 9, 1943 in Cairo, IL to Andrew and Corrine (Phillips) Compton. He attended Manual High School. He married Eleanor Victoria Flatt on July 7, 1979. They were married 40 years before she passed away in April of 2019.

Raymond honorably served his Country in the US Army. He was a great provider for his family both working as a welder at Caterpillar and at Big Lots. Raymond loved his family. He loved all types of music. He also enjoyed playing video games with his grandson. He had a passion for cars.

Raymond leaves to cherish his most precious memories his loving children which includes three sons, Raymond (Brenda Gibson) Compton, Jr., of Peoria, IL, Nate Turner of Champaign, IL and Darrell (Sondra) Compton of Danville, IL; five daughters, Sonya Carruthers of Oakdale, MN, Crystal (Eddie) Mann, Lanette (Quincy Artis) Compton, Cassandra Turner and Carla (Malcom) Clark all of Peoria, IL; two brothers, Johnny (Fannie) Compton of Acworth, GA and Charles Compton of Seattle, WA; one sister, Debbie (Tony "T") Gillespie of Tucker, GA; 17 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He is also preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Jerome Compton and two sisters.

Raymond was a faithful member of St. Paul Baptist Church where funeral

services will be held at 11 am on Friday, March 13, 2020 with a visitation one-hour prior beginning at 10 am. Pastor Deveraux Hubbard will officiate. Raymond will be laid to rest at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield, IL. Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [simonsmortuary.com](http://simonsmortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Camp Butler National Cemetery

5063 Camp Butler Road, RR1  
Springfield, IL 62707

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Peoria  
114 W. Forrest Hill Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61604

## Funeral Service

MAR 13. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

St. Paul Peoria  
114 W. Forrest Hill Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61604

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Raymond Nathaniel Compton Sr.*



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**Simons Mortuary** - March 13, 2020 at 04:19 PM



“ *Mr. Raymond Nathaniel Compton Sr.*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Raymond Nathaniel Compton Sr.*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *I have so much to say about you, but what saddens my heart is I will not have you walk me down the aisle and that was always the biggest thing I talked about with you, but I know you're not hurting anymore and you're with mom having a great time and I know that is what you wanted. I will have my days as well as your grandchildren, but you can let go now daddy it will be a little scary but we will be okay. I love you BOTH and sleep well until we are together again.*

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**Lanette Compton** - March 19, 2020 at 10:22 AM

VK

“ *Deb (Tony) Gillespie & Family - So very sorry to learn of Raymond's passing. I didn't know he was your brother. I pray God will bless, comfort & keep throughout your time of bereavement. My love & prayers go out to you.*



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**Vickie King** - March 16, 2020 at 03:07 PM

CF

“ Dear Compton Family!

*The "Foster Family" of Chicago, IL. your cousins, are so sorry to hear about your Daddy, Brother, Grand Daddy, Great , Uncle, Cousin, God Daddy, and Best of friend passing!*

*Our condolences to each one of you, we love you all and we're praying with you!*

*Praying that God's comfort will walk with you down the path that only God knew.*

*Know that the word of God tells us all - that earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal!!! God tells us that in our weakness, he'll give us strength! So look to the hills from with cometh your help, for all your help come from the Lord!!!*

*God is there, and waiting....*

*As your family we offer our prayers and standing ovation to Raymond, a well loved cousin for his great walk of life and great memories Raymond leaves for us all to cherish! What I will cherish is my memories, of Raymond traveling to Chicago. The four Compton boys, Jerome, Raymond, Johnny and Charles. Well dressed, respecting, and respected by and to all.*

*Raymond, leaves us great stock... call memories, that we can always pull from. Remember, If you don't deposit you cannot withdraw! I'm thankful for all that he has deposit into my life.*

*Thanks, Raymond for the memories that we all "Gain" and can now "Bank On"! What a great "Investment" you leave us all to cherish!!!*

*Remember, our way is not God's way....yet God's way is perfect!!!*

*To his children, grandchildren, great and brothers, Johnny and Charles! We the "Foster & King Family - your family, know that God will do exactly what you need him to do. Let Go and let God!!*

*Love you family...  
Cathy and the entire "Family"*

**Cathy Foster** - March 12, 2020 at 05:20 AM

MR

*Beautifully said about my beloved brother n law Raymond Compton 🙏  
😭💔*

**Madeline Randle** - March 12, 2020 at 09:31 PM

CM

*thank you for the kind words of my father---crystal Compton-mann*

**crystal mann** - March 18, 2020 at 09:32 AM

LC

*I appreciate the beautiful words for my father. I will truly miss my  
daddy!*

*Lanette Compton*

**Lanette Compton** - March 19, 2020 at 10:15 AM

JB

“ *Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Mr. Raymond Nathaniel Compton Sr.*



**Joanie Brown** - March 11, 2020 at 02:13 PM

DP

“ *To the family, please accept our sincere condolences. We will keep  
your family in our thoughts and prayers. Don and Karla Patton*

**Don and Karla Patton** - March 11, 2020 at 09:37 AM

TM

“ I worked with Ray at Big Lots. He was so very helpful n a funny guy. I was so nervous working there at first but Ray seemed to take that away . It's funny because I was just thinking about him the other day. I'm sure he will be missed by many. R.i.p. Ray

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**Tammy Montiel** - March 11, 2020 at 01:38 AM

DG

“ Raymond, as I sit here , my heart heavy, the tears warm on my eyes as I remember, being the youngest and probably the sassiest; as a young girl, you watched over me when I needed a big brother, as a teenager, I thought I didn't need a big brother, but you proved me wrong, you shared things that I needed to expect as I grew into a woman, from a brother's point of view. I loved seeing that smile whenever I would sneak up on you at Big Lots, you would always ask about my children and family. The last time I saw you, I was leaving your apartment to return to Georgia and you gave me the biggest hug and you followed me to the door & watched me leave, I didn't know then that God would call you home before I would see you again. I did get a picture with you that I will cherish always. I didn't see a lot of you, but I am glad for the times that we talked and laughed on the phone and the memories we made even then. Some of conversations were filled with dynamite!!, I love you Big Brother. Take Your Rest, In Peace..

Your Sister

Debbie Gillespie

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**Debbie Gillespie** - March 10, 2020 at 07:07 PM

MS

“ *Michelle Sledge lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raymond Nathaniel Compton Sr.*



Michelle Sledge - March 10, 2020 at 06:18 PM

MB

“ *Sending my condolences and prayers. I'm asking God to provide you all with the strength and comfort you need. Love Marla Byrd*

Marla Byrd - March 10, 2020 at 04:52 PM

DT

“ *To the family, my sincerest and heartfelt condolences. Debbie Gillespie I pray God watches over you and your family during this very difficult time and in the days ahead. May the many wonderful memories bring you comfort. Asking God to provide you strength. Rest in eternal peace Raymond*

Dyan Tyler - March 10, 2020 at 03:48 PM

SC

“ *I never thought I would be doing this today not be able to call you, hear your voice one more time. I have emotions that come and go. I want you to know I always have loved you for who you are not for what you did. Therefore let me say “I Love You Dad” ❤️ and I always will may you Rest In Peace in Heaven Amen your Loving Daughter 1st (Sonya Compton/Carruthers) 💋🙏🥹*

Sonya Carruthers - March 10, 2020 at 12:33 PM

JJ

“ Thank you Raymond for your love and compassion thank you for my nieces and my nephew's who have grown to be adults and who are living the life above and beyond thank you Raymond senior from Jessie L Byrd Jr in Los Angeles California we love you and may you rest in heaven always the bird family

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**Jesse L. Byrd Jr.** - March 10, 2020 at 12:14 PM