



## Raymond Robert Dykes

January 29, 1933 - May 17, 2020

Raymond Robert Dykes of Russellville, Alabama, died Sunday, May 17, 2020. He passed peacefully at home in the company of his beloved wife of 28 years, Carol Rojas Dykes.

Ray was born January 29, 1933, in Montague, Massachusetts, to Stuart H. Dykes and Bertha Mae Perkins. His childhood was also shaped by loving aunts, grandparents, and step-mother Phyllis Sadlowski Dykes. He graduated from Greenfield High School in 1951 and Ohio Wesleyan University in 1955, where he met his first wife Carolyn Ann Collier. Ray was a member of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity and enjoyed going back to the campus for the annual Pig Dinner. Ray served his country in the United States Airforce, in the 6023rd Revron Squadron and was stationed in Japan and Okinawa from 1956-1961. Afterward, Ray worked for Firestone Tire Company and for J.C. Penney in management and as a buyer.

He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Carol; brother, James Dykes and sister, Phyllis West; daughters, Deborah Misiag of Williamsburg, Virginia; Karen Case of Sedona, Arizona; and Susan Campbell-Phaneuf of Ojai, California; grandchildren Ryan Misiag, Jaclyn Misiag, and Lindsay Campbell; and great-grandchildren Hailey and Douglas Misiag.

He was preceded in death by his father, Stuart H. Dykes; mother, Bertha Mae Perkins; and step-mother, Phyllis Sadlowski Dykes.

The pallbearers will be Eric Fuller, Bill Fuller, David Grissom, Jamie Harris, Greg Hamilton, and Peter Day Hamilton.

The visitation will be 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Monday, May 25, 2020 at Spry Memorial Chapel in Russellville, with the funeral following at 1:00 p.m. in the chapel. Rev. Vincent Bresowar will speak at the service. Burial will follow at Luketown Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity Educational Foundation at PO Box 4599, Lexington, KY 40544-4599

Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family. To have us sign the book for you, please free to call or to leave private condolences, please visit our website at [www.sprymemorialchapel.com](http://www.sprymemorialchapel.com).

# Tribute Wall

LP

“ Dear Carol, We just learned of Ray's passing. We are so sorry for your loss. Ray was a wonderful Mentor and Friend to Mike at J.C. Penney. Please know how much of an impact he made on our lives. With love, Mike and Laurie Pearce

Laurie Pearce - April 18, 2025 at 06:19 PM

CH

“ Dear Carol  
We are so very saddened by the belated news of Ray's passing. We will keep you and your family in our prayers this holiday season as we remember the positive influence had on our lives.



Claudia & Mitchell Hall - November 07, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ May God welcome Mr. Dykes into his loving arms and grant him everlasting peace.

Marshall Harvey - May 27, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ George, Edie, Will and I were so happy to have that special time in Williamsburg, last August, with Ray and Carol, and all the Dykes Family. What a fantastic, funny, loving, and welcoming man! Our hearts go out to you all, and wish we could be there with you.

Janet Johnston - May 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I?m so very sorry to hear about Rays passing. I worked with Ray both in automotive and furniture ( both in NYC and Dallas)  
Carol, I hope you remember me and please accept my deepest sympathy.  
Diana

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**Diana Poveda Grat** - May 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ I was profoundly sad to learn of Ray's passing. He was always so positive, kind and full of life.  
I remember upon first meeting him when I was first visiting from Northern Ireland, he took me under his wing like a long lost relative (that I was!)  
I was the wide eyed kid who later moved to New York with many hopes and dreams.  
Ray was a wonderful man with a contagious laugh who always had time to sit and talk. He loved to hear all the stories from back home (Ireland) and I enjoyed sharing them. Ray's grandfather (Rob) and my grandmother (Emily) were siblings.  
My deepest condolences to Carol and his children.  
He will be deeply missed by all.  
Ann

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**Ann Riddell Sneed** - May 21, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ IT, WAS A PLEASURE TO HAVE KNOWN MR. DYKES.

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**Rev, Charles A.** - May 20, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *To my dear daddy, I will miss you so much. Thank you for your neverending love and wonderful sense of humor. Love, your daughter Debbie*

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**Deborah Misiag** - May 19, 2020 at 12:00 AM