



Mr. Raymond Charles Gramkow

January 12, 2016

Raymond Charles Gramkow, a longtime resident of River Edge, and formerly of Weehawken, NJ passed away peacefully at home on January 12, 2016 with his family by his side.

Raymond was the devoted husband of Nancy Gramkow (Pesce) for 62 years, beloved father of Ellen Nickerson and husband James Nickerson, Janis Agresta and husband Joseph Agresta, and Celia Riggio and husband John Riggio. He was also the loving grandfather to Elizabeth Briganti and husband Salvatore Briganti, Danielle Nickerson and fiancé David Broadbent , Katherine Curran and husband Lawrence Curran, Thomas Agresta, Grace Agresta, Olivia Riggio, and Anabel Riggio. Raymond was also blessed with two great granddaughters, Mia Rose Briganti and Ava Rose Briganti, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Raymond proudly served in the United States Marine Corps, 1st Marine Division, during the Korean War from 1951 -1954.

A Certified Public Accountant, Raymond was the founding partner of Gramkow, Carnevale, Seifert & Co. in Oradell NJ, and a Professor and Professor Emeritus at Ramapo College of New Jersey.

Raymond's enthusiasm and love for his profession, learning, and his hobbies

have been truly inspiring to all who knew him. In the early days of R.E.G.A.L. he coached his daughters' softball and basketball teams. He served as the President of the Bergen County Chapter of the New Jersey Society of CPAs, and was Commandant of the Marine Corps League's Gooney Bird Detachment, where he led a very successful scholarship program. He was also honored as Marine of the Year in 2000. Raymond received a B.S. in Accounting from Rutgers University and his MBA from Farleigh Dickenson University.

Raymond set an example for his family and friends in every way. His favorite past times included travel, golf and spending time at the Jersey Shore, where he has left a legacy for his family in Brigantine, NJ. He was also a longtime parishioner of St. Peter the Apostle Parish in River Edge.

Family and friends are invited to visit Friday 2-4 & 7-9PM at the Volk Leber Funeral Home, 268 Kinderkamack Rd., Oradell. Funeral service Saturday 9AM from the funeral home then to St. Peter the Apostle RC Church, River Edge for a 10AM Mass of Christian Burial. Entombment to follow at Fairview Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, donations in Raymond's memory to the Marine Corps League, Gooney Bird Detachment #434 Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 1775, New Milford, NJ 07646 or to Compassionate Care Foundation 137 Broad St., Suite 309, Clifton, NJ 07013 would be appreciated. Visit Raymond's memorial tribute page at www.volkleber.com.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Mausoleum

501 Bergenwood Rd, Fairview, NJ 07022
Fairview, NJ 07022

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 15. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

JAN 15. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Mass

JAN 16 (ET)

St. Peter the Apostle RCC
431 5th Avenue
River Edge, NJ

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Raymond Charles Gramkow*

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ *Mr. Raymond Charles Gramkow*

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Mr. Raymond Charles Gramkow*

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ *To the Family of Mr. Gramkow. My sincerest condolences. He was a such a good man and friend to my grandparents and my mom - - June Liebmann Cross - He will be dearly missed.*

*Sincerely,
Jane Cross Pulver*

Jane Pulver - April 04, 2016 at 03:23 PM

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“ ... if the Army and Navy were to gaze on heavens scenes they would find the streets are guarded by the Unite States Marines. And now the Guard Detachment welcomes Sgt. Raymond Gramkow.

Ray was always a one hundred percent Gooneybird. Serving as Commandant, Awarded Marine of The Year, helped to found the Scholarship Committee and served as Chairman. And many more committees, he was always there to lend a helping hand.

Memories ... preparade breakfasts at the Gramkow's, parades, post-parade picnics. Reunions with the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines at Washington DC, New Orleans and San Diego. Personal trips with Ray and Nancy to England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland.

Ray and I, returned to Korea in the late 90's and actually passed several feet into North Korea. It was much more pleasant the second time around.

Go with God Ray and save a place on the Guard Roster for me.

Angelo Oliva

Angelo Oliva - January 21, 2016 at 11:12 AM

 Rudy Agresta

“ Rest in peace Mr G...you will always be remembered and in our prayers.

Pat, Rudy Agresta, and family

Rudy Agresta - January 16, 2016 at 02:24 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Raymond Charles Gramkow.*



January 15, 2016 at 11:06 AM



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John Kasse - January 13, 2016 at 06:27 PM



“ *Randy Massaro lit a candle in memory of Mr. Raymond Charles Gramkow*



Randy Massaro - January 13, 2016 at 12:38 PM



“ *Rest In Peace Uncle Ray until we meet again...I wish we were not so distant from each other....but thanks to Facebook, I feel like I know my cousins a little better.....prayers to Aunt Nancy and family.*

Barb and Tom Hamilton - January 13, 2016 at 11:32 AM