



## Raymond E. Helton

March 12, 1935 - February 14, 2024

Raymond E. Helton, 88, of Huntington, passed away at 1:50 am Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at Tipton Place in Huntington, IN.

Raymond was born on March 12, 1935, in Huntington, IN, the son of Jesse Helton and Mildred (Kern) Helton. He attended Huntington High School and proudly served in the United States Navy from 1953 to 1957. Raymond married the love of his life Judith Ann Smith on July 10, 1960, in Huntington. He retired from Fisher Body in Marion, IN, as a press operator after 33 years of service. Raymond was a talented wood craver and a collector of Native American Artifacts. He enjoyed swimming at the YMCA, and loved history, especially the American Civil War.

Survivors include his Wife of 63 years, Judith Ann Helton of Huntington, IN; Sons, Michael T. (Tammy) Helton of Twin Lake, MI, Steven T. Helton of Huntington, IN; Granddaughter, Tiffany Marshall; Great Grandchildren, Hayden, Haley, Gracie, Layney, and Riley. He is preceded in death by his Father, Jesse Helton, Mother, Mildred Helton, Brother, Larry W. Helton and Grandson, Cody Helton.

There will be no services at this time.

A private burial will be at a later date in Gardens of Memory in Marion, IN.

Preferred memorials to the Riley Hospital for Children, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at [www.baileylove.com](http://www.baileylove.com).

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Raymond E. Helton.

# Tribute Wall



“ Ray was always a bright spot at the YMCA, always calm and kind. Nice man.

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**Bill Zimmer** - February 17, 2024 at 08:04 AM



“ Joan Tardy lit a candle in memory of Raymond Helton



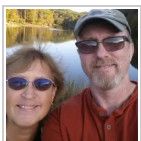
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**Joan L Tardy** - February 15, 2024 at 02:28 PM



“ Sherry Jefferies lit a candle in memory of Raymond Helton



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**Sherry Jefferies** - February 15, 2024 at 01:42 PM



“ Steve, Mike, and Tammy, I'm sorry for your loss. I met Ray while swimming laps at Huntington University's pool when it was open - he could out swim me.

*Ray, thank you for your service in the US Navy.*

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**Harold Gard** - February 15, 2024 at 11:38 AM

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*We are saddened by this news. Ray worked with my Dad and Judy and my mom are childhood friends. Ray was kind, patient, caring and had the warmest smile. He will certainly be missed. We are thinking of the family!*

*Stacy & Karen Payne*

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**Stacy Payne Miller** - February 15, 2024 at 05:02 PM

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“ *Sending prayers to the family.*”

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**cheryl (Dalrymple) Warner** - February 14, 2024 at 03:35 PM