



Raythel Cynthia Manuel

March 7, 1962 - April 12, 2026

Raythel's Journey

Raythel Cynthia Manuel was born on March 7, 1962 in Salisbury, Maryland. She peacefully departed this life on Sunday, April 12, 2026. She was the daughter of the late Drucilla Manuel and William Manuel, Sr.

Raythel was a woman whose presence brought warmth, laughter, and love to those around her. She was raised in a family that meant everything to her, and throughout her life, she remained deeply connected to those she loved. She was preceded in death by beloved family members who welcomed her into eternal rest.

Raythel dedicated much of her life to caring for others. She worked in the food service industry, spent time babysitting and helping families, attended the WCDC program, and also assisted in assisted living, where her compassionate nature touched many lives. She had a giving heart and was always willing to help anyone in need.

A woman of faith, Raythel was saved and baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, and she held a strong personal relationship with the Lord. She attended and fellowshiped with several churches throughout her life, including Methodist, Baptist, Free Indeed, and other congregations, where her faith continued to grow. Her belief in God remained a guiding light in her life.

Raythel truly enjoyed life. She loved walking around town, spending time with family and friends, shopping for clothes and jewelry, and taking pride in her appearance by getting her hair and nails done. She had an elegant spirit and a joyful personality that drew people to her. She loved to laugh, joke, go out to eat, watch movies, and simply enjoy the company of those around her. Her outgoing nature and loving heart made her unforgettable.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her loving son, Joshua Manuel; her sister-in-law, Melissa Manuel; niece, Sherri Manuel; nephews, Johnathan Manuel, Taqiyy Abdullah, Andre Green, Rick Beck, and Leroy Manuel; one aunt, Alenen Coston and as well as many cousins, extended family members, dear friends, and all who were blessed to know her.

In addition to her parents, Raythel was preceded in death by brother, William Manuel, Jr.; sister, Hilda Manuel; one niece, Monikki Williams; nephew, Jermaine Green; two uncles, Andrew Coston and Shermon Coston and a host of cousins.

Her son shares this special remembrance:

"I will always love and remember my mother through the good, the bad, and the sad times. Every moment I spent with her whether talking, taking her out, or taking pictures means the world to me. I may not have done all I wanted to do, but I know for certain that I was her heartbeat. My mother loved deeply, and that love will remain with me forever."

Raythel's love, laughter, and beautiful spirit will live on in the hearts of all who knew her, especially her special friend Sylvester.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 2. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bennie Smith Life Celebration Center
901 West Isabella Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

Funeral Service

MAY 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - May 01 at 02:45 PM

AW

“ *To: The family, I offer my condolences for your loss loved one. May you feel God's presence strengthening you and upholding you with His righteous right hand today. Fear not, you are not alone.* 🙏❤️



Ansheai Waters - May 02 at 09:07 AM

AC

“ *Amanda Collins lit a candle in memory of Raythel Cynthia Manuel*



Amanda Collins - April 27 at 08:50 PM

TY

“ *Rest well Sissy*❤️



Tysheica - April 27 at 06:14 AM

TS

“ Almighty God, in Your infinite mercy, grant my aunt eternal rest. We pray for strength, patience, and comfort for our family during this time of sorrow. May her legacy live on in our hearts. Lord, we trust her into Your loving embrace, Please heal our broken hearts, replace our sorrow with Your peace, and fill our minds with beautiful memories of our time with her. Amen
Tiashieka Coston-Stevenson

Tiashieka Coston Stevenson - April 25 at 09:22 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. My prayers are with her son and family.



Samantha Hodges - April 24 at 01:24 PM

VH

“ Sending condolences to the family. May God be with you all.



Vicki Harmon - April 20 at 09:05 PM

JL

“ Joan Lockwood lit a candle in memory of Raythel Cynthia Manuel



Joan Lockwood - April 18 at 11:30 AM

BS

“ Sorry for your loss may God comfort you during this difficult time. 🙏🙏



Brian & Tonya Scarborough - April 17 at 08:56 PM

KG

“ Kenneth Green lit a candle in memory of Raythel Cynthia Manuel



Kenneth Green - April 17 at 06:36 PM

KG

Man she was a wonderful person. I remember when she called me just to check on me . She will be missed.. RIP my friend

Kenneth Green - April 17 at 06:38 PM

NC

“ Nicole Conquest lit a candle in memory of Raythel Cynthia Manuel



Nicole Conquest - April 17 at 06:35 PM



“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - April 17 at 06:27 AM



“ *Robin Johnson lit a candle in memory of Raythel Cynthia Manuel*



Robin Johnson - April 16 at 10:28 PM