



## Raymond Michael LeClair

June 30, 1947 - December 8, 2025

Raymond M. LeClair, age 78, of St. Paul, Minnesota, passed away on December 8, 2025. Born June 30, 1947, in Graceville, Minnesota, Ray was known for his caring spirit, kindness, and strength. He was always ready to help friends and family in need.

Ray proudly served in the United States Navy for four years, a testament to his dedication and strength. After his military service, he married and began a career with Catco, where he was respected by colleagues and customers for his work ethic and camaraderie.

Outside of work, Ray enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening, and tinkering in his garage. He especially cherished time spent at his grandchildren's sporting events, quietly supporting them from the sidelines.

Ray is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Nancy LeClair; daughter, Melissa Lawlis (Mark); son, Mike LeClair (Paula); grandchildren, Grant and Kolton Lawlis, and Maia, Hudson, and Louis LeClair; brothers Lonnie, Bob, and Roy LeClair; sisters Janette Brandenburger and Dorothy Shafte; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Esther and George LeClair; sister, Linda Sand; and brothers Lyle, Dennis, and Dale LeClair.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 8, at St. John the Baptist Church, 835 2nd Ave NW, New Brighton. Visitation will begin one hour prior to the service, with a luncheon to follow. A private interment will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Ray's name to American Legion Post 180 in New Effington, South Dakota, or to Our Lady of Peace Hospice in St. Paul, Minnesota.

The family has entrusted Washburn-McReavy Funeral Home of New Brighton with arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 8. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
835 2nd Avenue NW  
New Brighton, MN 55112

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 8. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Dan & Jodi Kanera and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Raymond Michael LeClair.*



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**Dan & Jodi Kanera and Family** - January 07 at 07:20 AM

MT

“ *A very nice family ! Very good neighbors ! two great children thoughts and prayers are with you all !*

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**Mike Linda Thury** - January 05 at 10:48 AM

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“ *The Kill Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Raymond Michael LeClair.*



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**The Kill Family** - January 04 at 06:47 PM

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“ *Our sympathy to you Nancy and your family.*

*Dick has many memories when they were kids on the farm. Dick Le Clair*

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**Dick Le Clair** - December 21, 2025 at 03:55 PM

JA

“ *Jane lit a candle in memory of Raymond Michael LeClair*



**Jane** - December 19, 2025 at 05:07 PM

JA

*Ray and I worked together for many years. Ray was always kind and supportive. A good man gone to soon. Sending hugs and Prayers to Nancy ,Mellisa ,Mike and all the grandkids at this very sad time. 🙏❤️*

**Jane** - December 19, 2025 at 05:17 PM

DL

*Rest in peace uncle Ray. Will always remember the excitement I had going to the cities to see you and the family when I was younger and of course “3 to qually” in your driveway.*

**Dan LeClair** - December 19, 2025 at 10:19 PM