



Ramon "Ray" Seitz

November 13, 1925 - February 10, 2024

Ramon (Ray) Seitz was born on November 13, 1925, and entered into eternal life on February 10, 2024.

He was a lifelong Chicagoan, known for singing his beloved city's theme song, "Chicago, my kind of town!" A man of deep faith, he was a parishioner and "head" usher for over 70 years at St. Gertrude Parish where he married the love of his life, Elizabeth Conlin, who predeceased him in 2021. During their 71 years marriage, they raised seven wonderful children; Nancy (Graz), John (Christine), Susan (Larry), Richard, Robert (Robin), Patti, and Mary Beth (predeceased, 1998).

A decorated World War II veteran, he joined the war effort while still seventeen years old, received a Bronze Star and participated in the liberation a concentration camp.

After the war, he had a successful career as a banker with the Harris Bank and started building his large family while actively involved at St. Gertrude parish in programs like Christ Renew His Parish, Parish Counsel, and Finance Committee. He also served as president of the Edgewater Community Council.

Upon retirement, he and Elizabeth became avid travelers making many trips to Europe and within the United States. But the highlight of his retirement was creating and performing in the Original Starlites, a song and comedy group that for over twenty years featured their granddaughter Amanda and their beloved friend Eve Mueller, and focused on the music of the 30s, 40s and

50s. The Starlites became a special ministry because through that work, they brought music, dance, and joy to the elderly and many others throughout Chicagoland

He will be remembered as a man full of joy, morals, family values, and an amazing work ethic. His love of the arts, especially music, and his encyclopedic knowledge of classic movies were legendary.

Ray was the beloved grandfather to 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren and a loving uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Flowers can be sent to St Gertrude Church, 1420 W Granville Ave, Chicago, IL or in lieu of flowers a donation can be made to your favorite charity.

Cemetery Details

Maryhill Cemetery

8600 N Milwaukee
Niles, IL 60714
(847) 823-0982

Previous Events

Visitation in Church

FEB **15**. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St Gertrude Catholic Church
1420 W Granville Ave
Chicago, IL 60660
(773) 764-3621

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Patti, my sincere condolences. He was an incredible person. Always treasure the fond memories from the dinner table on Magnolia.*

Maureen Maloney - February 18, 2024 at 10:34 PM

AG

“ *My sincere condolences to the family and loved ones of Ray. Ray welcomed me many years ago as the first woman usher at St. Gertrude's.*

Ayani Good - February 18, 2024 at 11:49 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ramon "Ray" Seitz.*



February 14, 2024 at 02:56 PM

MM

“ *My heartfelt sympathies to the entire Seitz Family. I knew many of the children while growing up attending St. Gertrude. Thoughts and prayers are with all of you. May Mr. Seitz rest in peace.*

Mary Jo (Palumbo) Moore, Highland, IN

Mj. Moore - February 14, 2024 at 01:19 PM

TF

“ *The Wrocinski and Foley Families purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Ramon "Ray" Seitz.*



The Wrocinski and Foley Families - February 14, 2024 at 12:40 PM

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“ *The Wrocinski and Foley Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ramon "Ray" Seitz.*

The Wrocinski and Foley Families - February 14, 2024 at 12:40 PM

JC

“ *Dear Richard and Robert and all of the Seitz family; my deepest condolences to you. Your Dad and Mom were such a wonderful couple. They seemed to live life to its fullest as much as possible. One thing I remember about your father was his love of singing. He would cut loose at the drop of a hat! He certainly passed on his love of music to his children. He also kept you on your toes like a good Dad should! God bless you all.*

Jim Corbett

James Corbett - February 13, 2024 at 06:41 PM

JS

Thanks Jim

John Seitz - February 14, 2024 at 06:23 PM

CP

My deepest condolences to the Seitz family. Having known your parents from my childhood through my adult years was a joy and now full of dear memories. Claire Price

Claire Price - February 16, 2024 at 12:43 AM