



## Raymond Henry Mata

May 30, 1940 - July 3, 2022

Ray was born in Newark, New Jersey on May 30th, 1940. He is the son of the late Pat and Hazel Mata, brother of the late Patricia Mata and brother of Betty Peterson. Ray is a veteran of the United States Army and served overseas in Germany. Upon his return to the states, he became a Police Officer in Irvington New Jersey. He married his sweetheart Ellen Jova in 1971 and moved to Hollywood Florida where he served as a Police Sergeant for the Metro Dade Police Department until his retirement in 1995. While serving as a Police Officer, Ray also obtained his bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Biscayne College. Ray is survived by his beloved wife Ellen, their daughter Carolyn, son-in-law John, and his favorite and only grand-daughter Olivia.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. - Fort Myers, FL  
2325 E Mall Dr  
Fort Myers, FL 33901  
(239) 274-0088  
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<https://www.gendronfuneralhome.com/contact-us/fort-myers-chapel>

## Church Service

JUL 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

Resurrection Catholic Church  
8121 Cypress Lake Blvd.  
Fort Myers, FL 33919

## burial

JUL 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sarasota National Cemetery  
9810 State Road 72  
Sarasota, FL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond Henry Mata*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Raymond Henry Mata*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Our prayers are with each of you for God's comforting peace to surround you. We have wonderful memories of those Saturday morning coffee get togethers at Einstein's Bagels in Hollywood. Bobbye and John Kenyon*

**Bobbye Kenyon** - July 11, 2022 at 08:32 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond Henry Mata.*



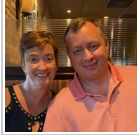
July 10, 2022 at 04:19 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Raymond Henry Mata.*



July 08, 2022 at 06:37 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories of Ray Mata*



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**John Christly** - July 07, 2022 at 09:15 PM

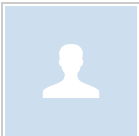


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**John Christly** - July 07, 2022 at 02:12 PM

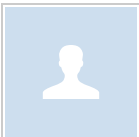


“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of *Raymond Henry Mata*.



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July 07, 2022 at 12:17 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of *Raymond Henry Mata*.

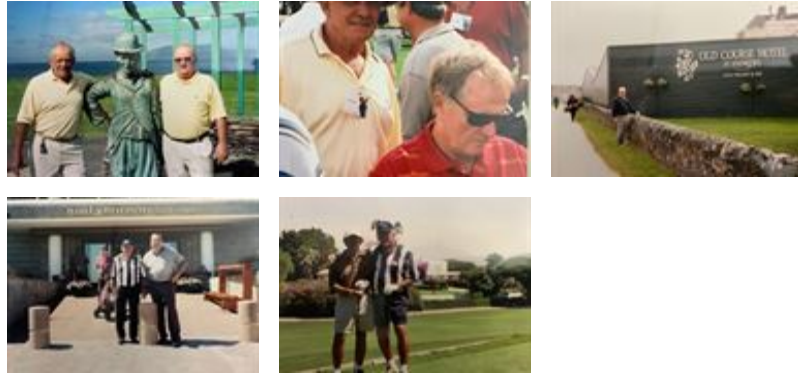


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July 07, 2022 at 10:28 AM



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Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. - July 07, 2022 at 09:19 AM



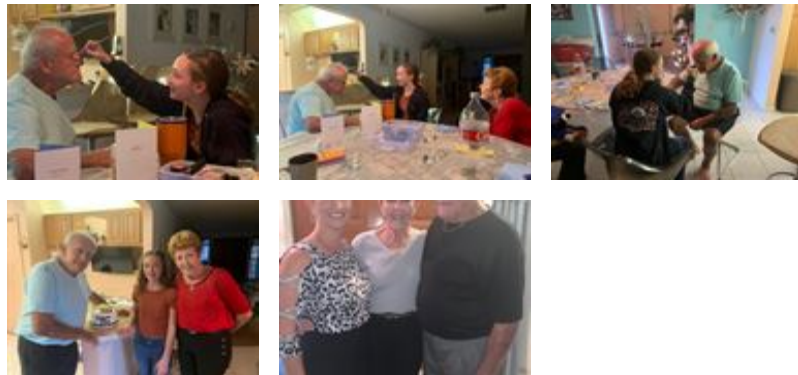
“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Raymond Henry Mata.



July 06, 2022 at 05:49 PM



“ 76 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. - July 06, 2022 at 04:23 PM

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*Take care Ray. I'll see you when I get there. We had some fun crazy times with "crazy eyes" RIP my friend*

**Dennis Stabile** - July 06, 2022 at 04:40 PM

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*“ From Al Perez: My deepest sympathy to the family Ray was a great Sgt and a better man. I had the honor of working for him my best memory was when he took my son Jeff and I to our first Marlin Game. He spent most of the time wrestling with him what a great day I'll never forget it.*



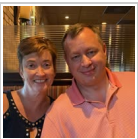
**Albert Perez** - July 05, 2022 at 09:38 PM



*“ John Christly lit a candle in memory of Raymond Henry Mata*



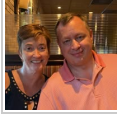
**John Christly** - July 05, 2022 at 04:28 PM



*“ 1 file added to the album Memories of Ray Mata*



**John Christly** - July 05, 2022 at 04:28 PM



*He loved fishing with his granddaughter Olivia!*

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**John Christly** - July 07, 2022 at 11:30 AM