



## Poray Casimier Sr.

August 13, 1963 - March 8, 2021

Poray Cedric Casimier, Sr. was born on August 13, 1963 in New Orleans, Louisiana to Elton and Janet Casimier. He was the fourth of four children and completed his college education obtaining a Bachelor of Science degree. Poray dedicated himself to being a capable minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the most compassionate respiratory therapist ever. Poray departed this life on Monday, March 8 in Chicago, Illinois. He is survived by; his devoted wife Junetta; three sons Poray Cedric Casimier, Jr., Pierre Joseph Casimier and Pascal Adonai Casimier; mother Janet Casimier (New Orleans, Louisiana); brother Gregory K. Henry (Cheryl); brother Raynard (Thea Marie); honorary son Aaron Timothy Lee, and a host of family and friends who loved him dearly.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR 18. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home & Cremations  
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Chicago, IL 60621  
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## Visitation

MAR 19. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home - Legacy Center  
7046 S. Halsted Street  
Chicago, IL 60621

## Service

MAR 19. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Chicago, IL 60621

# Tribute Wall



“ *Poray Casimier Sr.*

October 09, 2023 at 04:52 AM



“ *I briefly worked with Poray at MetroSouth Medical Center in the Respiratory Department. He always very caring, friendly, and was always willing to help and give advice. He was definitely dedicated to his craft of providing life saving care to his patients. I am saddened to hear of his passing.*

**Daniel Todd** - July 13, 2023 at 03:40 PM



“ *My wife, Marcia would be talking to June in the church yard and Poray, seated behind the wheel of the car would call out "take a number". He was saying it's time to go, take a phone number to continue the conversation. In our eyes, he truly demonstrated what it meant to be a "husbonai". Condolences to the family.*

**Harold Boxill** - March 20, 2021 at 07:55 PM



“ *May God continue to comfort and strengthen you with HIS all-powerful SHALOM! We will continue to pray for you and with you. Our condolences.*

*Floyd and Angel  
Your Praying for Progeny Family*

**Floyd and Angel Knight** - March 20, 2021 at 12:12 PM

MJ

“ My condolences to the Casimier family. Remembering brother Poray who had a tremendous impact on my life always cool, firm and honest, solid and bold when it came to sharing the Word of God. I still try to sing some of his songs...New life for old, I miss my time with you...at our wedding (He was in wedding) He sang Flesh of my flesh and bone of my bone we are one! We are going to miss him...a true soldier of the Cross! Pastor Melvin and Sis. Evette Jones

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**Melvin and Evette Jones** - March 19, 2021 at 09:43 PM

MF

“ As I watched through my window, I would see Mr. Casimier working hours on his yard and home. My thought would be, WOW!!!! this man really have so much energy, especially when I saw Him on the roof, right then I thought, Oh God, his faith is truly strong and amazing and Lord please don't let him fall. Sometimes Mr. Casimier would stop and give me and my family inspiring words of encouragement. Mr. Casimier Will Truly Be Missed!! May God Continue To Bless His Soul And Spirit All Through His Journey And Family, And May There Be Comfort And Peace With All that carry a heavy heart!!!!!! ( Mary, Sgt And Family )



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**Mary, Sgt & Family** - March 19, 2021 at 02:36 PM

RS

“ To my niece June and her family. It was with great sadness and joy that we received the news about Poray. Just want you to know that Uncle Morris is praying for all of you. We could not be with you physically so thank you for live-streaming the service. Know that our Father will keep and strengthen you in the days to come. Praying for you always.

*Love you much*

*Uncle Morris and Emily*

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**Rev Morris Stokes Sr** - March 19, 2021 at 01:56 PM

AP

“ My condolences to you June and your family, may God keep you all and strengthen you.

*Annetra Platt*

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**Annetra L Platt** - March 19, 2021 at 11:40 AM

GS

“ My Prays are with you always, love from all your Aunts.Xerox  
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**Girth Stokes** - March 19, 2021 at 11:31 AM

DV

“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Don Veinot** - March 19, 2021 at 11:28 AM

DP

“ *Remembering the great time we shared giving our Brother Harry away to Vivian, the Magnificent 7. We will miss our beloved brother.*

*Love,  
Pastor David L. Perry and family*

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**David Perry** - March 19, 2021 at 11:20 AM

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**Raynard Casimier Sr.** - March 19, 2021 at 12:39 AM

TM

“ *I am shocked to hear of Poray's passing. I didn't know him very well, but I did know he was such a kind, Godly man. He is with Jesus in his foreverhome at last. Our condolences to June & family.*

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**Todd & Corkey McGehee** - March 19, 2021 at 12:39 AM

DT

“ We fondly remember the time when Poray & June personally came to our home when we were newly married and gave us a personal cooking lesson on how to prepare their signature red beans and rice dish. We were lovingly and patiently walked through the process of preparing the beans, cutting up the "trinity" of vegetables needed for that special taste (i.e. garlic, onion and celery), and carefully assembling the seasonings. We were also told that it would take painstaking attention in regards to adding the appropriate amount of water so as not to "drown" the beans during the process. After about 2 or 3 hours of preparation and precision cooking techniques, the meal was completed and we all sat down to enjoy a pretty good version of the dish (it was my first attempt). Poray later wrote down the detailed instructions and ingredient list so that we could duplicate it later. The gracious and servant heart that was shone to us on that occasion was very precious to us. We will always remember the kindness and love of this dear couple. Brother Poray will be sorely missed, but the joy of him in the precious of our dear Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is more than comforting. Praise the Lord for giving us His precious gift of a dear Brother in the Lord!  
Love Darius & Cynthia Taylor.

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**Darius L. Taylor** - March 19, 2021 at 12:18 AM

LC

I have many fond memories of Poray. He and June were members of my former church for many years. The last time I saw him was when he spoke at my church Pleasant Green Missionary Baptist Church a few years ago. I was surprised and happy to see he and June there, and as usual, he did an outstanding job of presenting. He even prepared an excellent handout with a diagram that he had drawn. My Pastor Walter W. Matthews, Sr said that he would make the handout available to all the members of our church.  
He was a faithful servant of God and will truly be missed.  
Linda Casey

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**Linda Casey** - March 19, 2021 at 11:54 AM

LP

*There are so many memories that Poray and I share. This man was my best friend in the world. At first when I heard of his passing on I was very sadden, so much so every time I would be alone I would cry, I cried all day as I would remember the times we shared, then I thought to just thank God that he had given me such a wonderful friend.*

*I love you com.*

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**Leroy Perry** - March 24, 2021 at 10:20 AM

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**Raynard Casimier Sr.** - March 18, 2021 at 11:52 PM

RS

*“ Po...blocked that Shot!”...*

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**Raynard Casimier Sr.** - March 19, 2021 at 12:02 AM

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**Raynard Casimier Sr.** - March 18, 2021 at 11:39 PM

RS

*“ Styling that FRO...and ready to GO!*

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**Raynard Casimier Sr.** - March 19, 2021 at 12:01 AM

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Raynard Casimier Sr. - March 18, 2021 at 11:37 PM

RS

*Poray...sending his brother Raynard off to the prom!!*

Raynard Casimier Sr. - March 18, 2021 at 11:59 PM

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Raynard Casimier Sr. - March 18, 2021 at 11:26 PM

RS

*Good times together!!*

Raynard Casimier Sr. - March 18, 2021 at 11:57 PM

DV

“ *Poray's friendship, passion for those in cults and love for his savior was always an encouragement to Joy and I. Oh, and those wonderful cakes! We will miss him until we meet again when we too go to be with the Lord*

Don Veinot - March 18, 2021 at 08:59 PM

DR

“ We offer our heart-felt condolences to the Casmier family - sometimes there is a lost of words that can convey what's in our heart. June, my prayer is especially focused on this moment of transition and establishing a "New Normal."  
I am convince that our Father is the God of ALL comfort, and that he will enable you to remember, release, readjust, as he lead you through these painful moments. Karen and I send love and support to you during these moments.

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Donald Raickett - March 18, 2021 at 08:56 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..



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March 18, 2021 at 08:15 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..



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March 18, 2021 at 01:57 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..



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March 17, 2021 at 08:53 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..*



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March 17, 2021 at 08:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..*



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March 15, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ *June, my heart is so sad to hear of this. You and Poray stood on our porch and prayed for me an my family just a few short months ago. May God hold you and your family close and may every tear cried bring healing deep within your soul.*

*In His Love,  
Terri Lyons*

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**Terri Lyons** - March 15, 2021 at 02:19 PM



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March 15, 2021 at 04:02 AM



“ I'm so glad we got to re-connect these last few years, cuz. I will always remember you teaching me how to do the four corners back in the day. You put up a brave fight and now you get to rest. See you on the other side. <3.

Dear June and sons,

Y'all are in my prayers for The Lord to give you strength and peace.

Uncle Pierce and I send our love.

God Bless you.

Cynthia Pierce



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**Cynthia Pierce** - March 15, 2021 at 03:54 AM

TJ

“ I was fortunate to have met Poray . He had such a contagious smile and very easy to talk to and work with . . My condolences 🌸 Rest well my friend 🙏🙏🙏

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**Tuanda James** - March 14, 2021 at 04:29 PM

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**someone** - March 14, 2021 at 02:38 PM

LB

Condolences to the Casimere family you are in our praying 🙏 Earth has o sorrow that heaven cannot heal Isaiah 35:10 from Bishop James Nelson Brown, First Lady Ellanease Brown and the Fischer Community Family

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**Latonia Bickham** - March 17, 2021 at 11:31 AM



*Poray exemplified unselfish love and commitment to whatever task he set out to do. He helped my husband, Maurice Washington edit his book for 2 hours or more, night after night over the phone after both of them had worked a full day. This went on for over a month. What a testimony.*

*Regina Washington*

**Regina Washington** - March 19, 2021 at 11:27 AM

JE

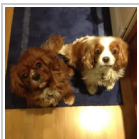
“ *I was fortunate to know Poray during my 2 years at Metrosouth. He was extremely kind and compassionate. It was clear that he loved what he did. Me and Poray frequently spoke about God and faith. Although we come from two different religious backgrounds, the conversations me and Poray had were an excellent example of how two people can share their love for God, although that love may look different. Poray will be deeply missed, and May he Rest In Peace.*

**Joanna Elmatari** - March 14, 2021 at 02:36 PM

LH

“ *I worked with Poray at Metro South/St Francis and he was always such a nice guy. He was always friendly and he kept a smile on his face. And he always had some good insight for me. I'm so sorry to hear of his passing. Job well done Poray...rest in eternally peace 🙏*

**Lesli Horton** - March 14, 2021 at 10:11 AM



“ *I worked with Poray (St.Francis/MetroSouth) for many years and enjoyed not only working with him but discussing our faith. So sorry about his passing but I am sure of heaven rejoicing in his homecoming. Will be looking forward to seeing him then. Many prayers for the family. Pearl Burgess*

**Pearl Burgess** - March 13, 2021 at 09:07 PM



“ Will always remembered he was a kind gentleman, vey polite. Very sad to hear he is no longer physically here. May he Rest In Peace. 😞

Olga Chavez - March 13, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ Harry Taylor III purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..



Harry Taylor III - March 13, 2021 at 03:01 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..



March 13, 2021 at 11:27 AM



“ With Our Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..



March 13, 2021 at 11:18 AM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..*



March 13, 2021 at 11:07 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..*



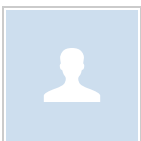
March 13, 2021 at 11:01 AM



“ *My Brother in The Lord,  
I can still hear him calling "Hey Brother".  
A true Man of God. He and June blessed my wife(Hope) and I,  
through song at our wedding.  
He was always willing to listen and give Godly counsel.*

*Your Home my Brother*

**Rolland Craig** - March 13, 2021 at 10:31 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..*



March 13, 2021 at 12:55 AM

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**CeCe** - March 12, 2021 at 04:33 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of *Poray Casimier Sr.*



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March 12, 2021 at 02:46 PM

AV

“ *I am so very saddened to hear of Poray's passing. I was a co-worker and knew Poray only a couple years. He was the most compassionate and kind man I ever met and will be greatly missed. I am so glad we met and talked about God often. Rest in peace with our Lord.*

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**Audrey Vlasvich** - March 12, 2021 at 02:25 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..*



March 11, 2021 at 11:22 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Poray Casimier Sr..*



March 11, 2021 at 06:19 PM

Harry Taylor III

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Harry Taylor III - March 11, 2021 at 02:37 PM

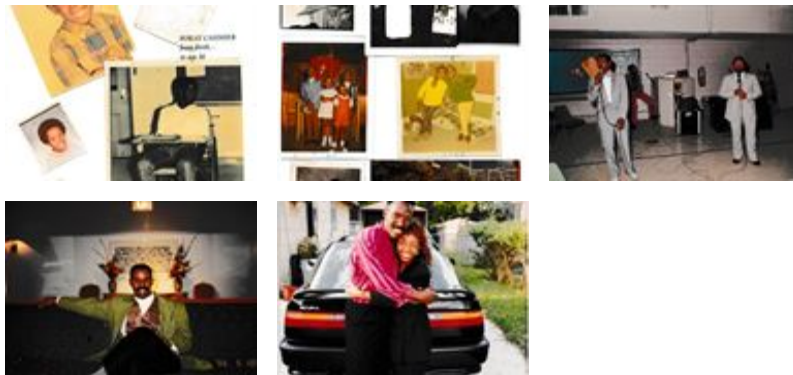


*Mr. Casmier provided respiratory care for my sister, Cynthia, during a prolonged hospital stay. I always felt better on the days when he was on duty, because felt sure that he would not just go through the motions to meet her needs, but would be compassionate, and offer prayer support as well. He was a real blessing to my family during a very difficult time.*

**Ethelyn Taylor** - March 12, 2021 at 05:21 PM



“ 32 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Calahan Funeral Home** - March 11, 2021 at 01:21 PM



“ *I did not know him well but he seemed like a great leader and humble man, I am keeping the Casimiers in my sincere prayers as the Lord welcomes Mr PoRay home.*

**Al Burks** - March 11, 2021 at 09:38 AM



“ While waiting for the boat during Israel’s wedding, Poray and I had such a wonderful time singing songs of praise back and forth. Now honestly, we may have annoyed some folks near by, but we had a ball. This was common for us to do because he knew I sung too. We had some great conversations about the word of the Lord during this past year. A very loving, encouraging and steadfast brother. We both loved to watch “Colombo”.  
I left “Lord of Eternity” on your voicemail before you left us. But now you’re with Him in glory. I know you’re singing now.  
I’ll see you again my brother.  
Love,  
Erroll

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**Erroll J. Martin** - March 11, 2021 at 04:00 AM

DC

“ Poray “Elij”, my love for the word of God came from the constant thirst you had for Jesus. I thank you for the wonderful example you left for me of what a man of God should be. Thank you, my brother.  
— Derek, “Elish”

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**Derek Clark** - March 10, 2021 at 04:47 PM

RM

“ Bro Poray was truly a light and witness of the gospel of Jesus Christ to both me and my husband..we will miss him and are grateful to have met him..praying for the family, Sincerely, Morris and Rhonda Moore

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**Rhonda Moore** - March 10, 2021 at 03:30 PM

 Harry Taylor III

“ Words cannot express how you have impacted by life. We started the journey of friendship and brotherhood around the Word of God. That was our conversation till the end. We were as the scripture says “iron sharpening iron”. For 38 years we journeyed together! Our friendship was as closer than a brother. Bud all I can say is I will miss you for the time being. You lived well, now enjoy what you lived for. I know you are with Jesus!

Love you always,  
Harry

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**Harry Taylor III** - March 10, 2021 at 02:56 PM



I remember the last time we were together at the wedding waiting for the boat. How joyful it was going back and forth singing those wonderful songs of praise. Now honestly, we may have annoyed some folks around us, but we were having a ball. Over this past year we had some great conversations that truly blessed my soul.

I left “Lord of Eternity “ on your voicemail before you left us, but now I know you’re with Him!

I will miss you for now my brother but will see you again.

Love,  
Erroll

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**Erroll J. Martin** - March 11, 2021 at 03:07 AM

DT

Poray Casimier was an exceptional human being. I had the pleasure of working with Porayat MetroSouth for nine years. Poray always went above and beyond to do his best. He truly cared for people. He spoke so lovingly of his wife and his boys. My condolences to his family.

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**Debra Threatt** - March 12, 2021 at 08:15 AM

 Terese Hield

I worked with Poray at SFH and Metro. Always polite, calm, knowledgeable and reassuring to both patients and staff, Such a great loss. Condolences and prayers to his family. He will be missed.

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**Terese Hield** - March 12, 2021 at 04:37 PM



*I worked with Poray at SFH and MSMC. He was an exceptional RT, very knowledgeable and skilled. Always calm and reassuring to patients as well as staff and always had a smile. Rest in peace Poray.*

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**Patricia Blazek** - March 12, 2021 at 09:31 PM

EE

*"If I can help somebody as I pass along,  
If I can cheer somebody with a word or song,  
If I can show somebody that they're traveling wrong,  
Then my living shall not be in vain."  
My spiritual son "Poray" lived the words of this song.  
We don't have to wonder where he is, he's rejoicing at the sight of  
Jesus in all His Glory.*

*Edwina Edgerson*

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**Edwina C Edgerson** - March 15, 2021 at 01:06 AM

SQ

*I worked with Poray at MSMC. He was always cheerful, kind and intellectual. I know he will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Rest in peace Poary.*

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**Sandy Quillin** - March 17, 2021 at 07:11 PM