



# Mr. Jimmy Ray Ransom

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**J**immy Ray Ransom born November 9, 1939 in Cooper, Texas, passed away August 7, 2007 in Houston, Texas.

Jimmy is preceded in death by his parents; Jim and Estelle Ransom. He is survived by wife Gladys Ransom, children; Anna Campbell and husband David, Christian Ransom and wife Tina, and Jenny Barnard. Grandchildren; Stephen Barnard, Brian Campbell, Michael Campbell, Caitlin Ransom, and Krysta Daricek. Brother and sisters; Jerry Ransom and wife Glenda, Linda Mihalek and husband Joe, Myrica Silverstrim and husband Tom. Nieces and nephews; Jerry Ransom and wife Ruth, Vicki Ransom, Christina Marroquin and husband Joe, Joe Mihalek and several other nieces and nephews. Other loving family members that will miss him are; Lilia and Bob Ames from Panama, Tono and Estervina Moreno from Panama, Jaine and Tim Moreno from Arlington, Tono Moreno from Arlington, Indira Moreno from Panama, Carmen, Mamita, Eloisa, and many others. He had many other friends and family memvers that loved him very much and will miss him.



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**Joanne Campbell Chiari** posted:

As a child I was always excited to know that my Uncle Jim and Aunt Gladys were coming to visit our family, whether we lived in Cocoli or Farfan. He was just the greatest Uncle anybody could ask for! His stories were incredible. To my Aunt Gladys, cousins Ana, Christian and Jenny, I am so sorry for your loss. Uncle Jim was a great husband to my Aunt and a great father to you all. In my memories, what I remember was a lot of happiness and love in your family. I will always have fond memories of your father. Love, Joanne

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**"Nick" F.C.Nicolaisen** posted:

I served w/ Jimmy on the CZ Police force and have only great mem. of an Officer that made us all proud to have served with him. Goodbye and God welcome you into a higher force. always Nick

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**Don Nungester** posted:

One of the most street-wise cops I have known. WE all love Jimmy.

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**Monty Seals** posted:

I am sorry to hear of the passing of Jimmy. It seems that more and more of the old CZP are no longer with us. I worked with Jimmy in the Detective Office and again with US Customs in the Florida Keys. Jimmy was quite a man, personally and professionally. I will always respect him. He taught me so much.

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SP

**Sergio R. Perales** posted:

I wish to add my personal condolences to those expressed by all who called Jimmy Ransom a 'true friend;' and add my prayers to those of his family and friends who loved him ' may Jimmy Ransom rest in the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ. My friendship with Jimmy goes back to when we first met (1954) at Thomas J. Rusk, middle school in Dallas, Texas; and endured through our high school days. Jimmy dropped out of high school in his senior year to enter the Army while I left Dallas after my graduation to continue my education. After completing my university education and being commissioned in the Army I chose the profession of arms and except for an occasional brief visit, never again returned to Dallas. Thus, it's no surprise that I lost touch with Jimmy and my 'childhood/teen-years' friends, until recently. I will forever be grateful that I had the opportunity to visit with Jimmy and, even though he was in the last days of his life, recall and remember with him some of our good times ' walking to Lake Bachman after school to go fishing, going ice skating on weekends, volunteering to help in our neighborhood after the 1957 Dallas tornado, and many other experiences we shared in our youth. Sergio R. PeralesUS Army, MAJ(Ret)San Antonio, TX

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HS

**Hugh And Denise Smith** posted:

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Gladys, the children and family. Jimmy was a great guy to work with in the Canal Zone Police Division and even greater to play with. Motorbikes and CB radio then. Always in good humor and smiling. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him. Hugh and Denise Smith

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RB

**Ron Benninghoff** posted:

Very sorry to hear of Jimmy's passing. I was very proud to have known and worked with him. May you rest in well deserved peace brother.

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JR

**Jerry Ransom** posted:

I would like to thank those of you that have taken the time to pay tribute to or share your memories of Jimmy on this site. As Most of you know, Jimmy was not your average guy. He never put on airs or pretended to be someone he was not (unless of course he was under cover). When you dealt with Jimmy, you knew exactly where he stood. When I call Jimmy 'My big brother,' I mean that in the truest sense of the word. He was protector and defender of my sisters and me. There were many incidents when we were growing up, and even as adults when one of us was threatened, Jimmy would come to our aid. He was not only our defender, but he was quick to get between the bully and the underdog whoever they were. He was always looking out for the little guy. I was impressed by the love and affection shown him by his neighborhood, especially the younger generation. I saw so many young people stop by just to talk with 'Grandpa' or 'Mr. Jim'. Jimmy recently told me that he had never been afraid of death as he believed he had been created by God for a purpose, and that nothing could end his life until God was ready to call him home. Because of his faith and trust in Jesus, he was able to meet the challenges of his illness with the assurance of eternal life. Praise God, Jimmy has claimed the ultimate victory over death through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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DS

**Douglas C. Schmidt** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jimmy's family. His brother, Jerry and I have enjoyed a long and close friendship. I know that jimmy has found peace with his God.

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DS

**Doris Steele** posted:

To the Ransom Family I am sorry to hear what happened to Mr. Ransom. He was a kind person. I will say a prayer for everyone. He will be missed. Love Doris

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WF

**Woody & Ruth Foster** posted:

Our deepest condolences to Jimmy's family. Jimmy was a good person (and a good "cop") Enjoyed the times we worked together. Woody

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NU

**Nicholas Unger** posted:

He was one of the good guys, wish the best to the family

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MO

**Melvyn Oller** posted:

My sincere sympathies to all, I was a CZPolice and remember Jimmy in the Detective Office, Starky and Hutch like they called him and Bob Steel. May he rest in Peace, adios amigo.

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HH

**Herbert F. Harmond** posted:

I take this opportunity to extend my sincere condolence to Jimmy's family.-May he rest-in-peace.

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WK

**William F Kessler** posted:

Jimmy was a fine police officer and a credit to the Canal Zone Police Division. He was an excellent detective who worked many long and difficult cases. It was my pleasure to have worked with him and to have been his Chief of Police. May he rest in peace.

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FR

**Fred Robinson** posted:

Jimmy was a good, decent, hard-working cop who earned the respect of all who knew and worked with him. God knows you did your job and earned your rest. May you rest in peace brother.

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PR

**Paul Richards** posted:

I will always remember Jimmy as one of the Canal Zone's Finest He always took the time to help out. I last saw Jimmy in Houston before I retired. After the tornado took his roof off. God Bless you Jimmy. My prayers are with Gladys and the rest of your family. Paul CZP#57

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JF

**John Steele & Family** posted:

As a child growing up in the Panama Canal Zone, I was best friends with Mr. Ransom's son Christian. I always remembered Mr. Ransom as being a quiet, gentle, happy man. I NEVER remember seeing Mr. Ransom upset. Mrs. Ransom, Anna, Christian, and Jenny, I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. We send our heart felt sorrow and will keep you in our prayers.

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GT

**George Thornton** posted:

Sorry to hear that Jimmy, has die. Worked with him in The CZP, and US Customs. a Great GuyGeorge

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AH

**April (Steele) Howell** posted:

I would like to send my condolences. Unfortunatley, I will not be able to make it to the funeral. However, my thoughts and prayers are with you duing this difficult time. May God bless you.

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OM

**Oswaldo (Ossie) Montalvo** posted:

OSWALDO (Ossie) MONTALVO3700 McKinley StreetHollywood, Florida 33021-4943Tel: (954) 983-0719 (H) (305) 726-3780 (cell) August 8, 2007 TO THE RANSOM FAMILY: It is with great emotion and love that I write to all of you to express my deepest and heartfelt sympathy for the passing to be with God of my dearest partner, associate and dear friend Jimmy. Some of you may remember me. I was a Canal Zone Police Officer with Jimmy and we also served in the US Customs Service. Even though we somehow drifted apart when I was transferred to Florida, we kept in contact and always remembered the cases and events we experienced together serving our country. I have a lot of excellent memories of Jimmy and shall always remember him as one of my very good friends and associates. I shall always remember him as an excellent detective and Customs Patrol Officer, who gave it all and left his mark in law enforcement. My wife Dulce also joins me in prayer and in remembering and celebrating his great accomplishments in life. I shall try and visit with those that may be available when I visit Pearland, Texas. I know he is now resting peacefully in Heaven where our Lord took him to a very special place. We send our love and prayers to each one of you and a very special one for Jimmy, may he rest in peace. Dulce and Ossie

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**Bob Steele** posted:

Jimmy and I were accepted to the CZ Police in 1964. Eventually we both were promoted to detective and worked narcotics. During that time we became very close. Jimmy became like a brother to me, and certainly a best friend. Not long ago Ilka and I visited Jimmy in Houston, and found him to be very sick and in a lot of pain. Even at that Jimmy and I reminisced about old times and had a great visit. I don't want to remember that Jimmy I want to remember Jimmy the dedicated Officer, the guy who loved his job and the joker. I remember Jimmy solving a problem of trespassing at the Lepor Colony by administering a few right front and left rears. We found the culprits cars hidden in the brush and Jimmy would let the air out of the right front tire and the left rear tire. A few of those, word traveled fast and the problem was solved, much faster than with Judge Deming's help. Also the stake out under the little bridge on Palo Seco Rd., the time he and Sgt. Thrift sent Joe Garcia and I looking for the ship Looflirpa (April Fool spelled backwards) loaded with cocaine, the time he ran out of the back door of the detective office and had about 5 detectives running all over the place to see what was going on only to find that Jimmy had ran around the building returned to his desk and was waiting for us to return while he laughed himself silly, but I got him good one night I coated the rubber eye piece on the night vision device with grease, I pretended to be looking at some activity in the bay and asked Jimmy to take a look, he did and walked around the rest of the shift with a big black ring around his eye. I'll miss you Jimmy, but I know you're not in pain anymore and are in a better place. I couldn't have asked for a better FRIEND and PARTNER.

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KF

**Kathy (Fowler)Frederick** posted:

So sorry to hear the news. My thoughts and prayers are with all of Jimmy's family and friends. May good memories bring you comfort.

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FK

**Frank Kline** posted:

May you forever rest in Peace my brother. Officer Frank Kline(Retired)

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LW

**Lester/Esther Wiles** posted:

we are sorry for your loss.may god bless you and your family.we are unable to come for the funeral,but our thoughts and prayers will be with you. lester wiles 11415 elk mountain san antonio,texas 78245

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**Jessica Daugtrey** posted:

On behalf of myself and the staff of San Jacinto Memorial Park and Funeral Home, please accept our condolences in the loss of Mr. Ransom.

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

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