



Selvaraj Seetharaman

OCT 18, 2023



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Sadly, Selvaraj Seetharaman passed away in Frederick, Maryland on October 18th, 2023. He was born in a farmhouse in Kalpoondi Southern India, to L. Seetharaman Reddiar and Kamalambal.

After graduating from high school, he moved to the city of Chennai to pursue his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Electrical Engineering from Guindy Engineering College and the Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai. Wanting to enhance his academic career, Selvaraj then moved to Canada and completed his Ph.D from the University of Waterloo, Ontario Canada.

After working briefly for IBM in Canada, he moved to the U.S. He went on to work for Technokron in California and Bell Labs in New Jersey, before moving to Maryland. In his 20 years in Maryland, he worked for Thales Group and APG Army Research Lab.

Selvaraj was passionate about photography. He loved to travel, enjoyed good food, going to the movies, and watching television. His love of television took many forms, from his habit of giving people nicknames based on cartoon characters to his ability to remember any Seinfeld quote you could think of. Another great hobby of his was tinkering with computers, he often opened them up to do as pleased but conveniently forgot to clean up his mess when he was finished. While he may have given the appearance of being stern or stoic, he was a warm teddy bear at heart who never took himself too seriously. He was in many ways a big kid at heart and earned the affection of every child in his life.

He is survived by three brothers, one sister, his wife Rajeswari (Raji), and a wonderful son Arun. Arun was the apple of his eye with Arun and Selvaraj considering themselves best friends. He is also survived by brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, and numerous friends from school and work.


We thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.

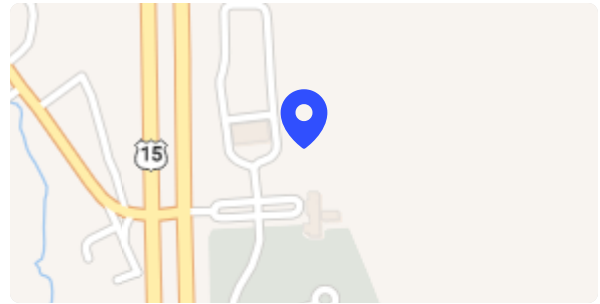


Ceremony

 **Sunday**, October 22, 2023

 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM ET


 **Resthaven Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.**
9501-B Catoctin Mountain Highway, Frederick MD
21701

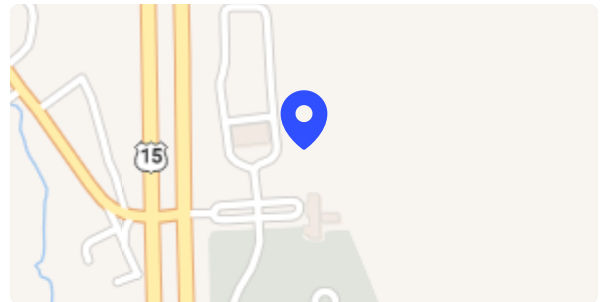


Food and Fellowship

 **Sunday**, October 22, 2023

 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET

 **Resthaven Funeral Home & Community Center**
9501 Catoctin Mountain Highway, Frederick MD
21701



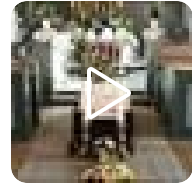


Tribute Wall

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Resthaven Memorial Gardens shared a **Webcast Video**.



October 20 at 1:15 PM



Pal, Sala And Family sent a Serene Retreat to the Seetharaman family.



November 14 at 2:00 PM



Pal, Sala And Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Selvaraj.



November 14 at 2:00 PM



O Addy posted:

I never had the pleasure to meet Dr. Seetharaman, but I do have the pleasure of working with his son Arun. After reading many of the nice things people have had to say about Dr. Seetharaman, I can see the strong foundation for Arun's character. As an engineer, he is always looking for ways to learn and improve his skills and understanding. In addition to his work ethic, Arun has a positive outlook and sees the best in all of his coworkers. We truly appreciate having Arun as a colleague. I am sure as time goes on, Arun will have many accomplishments with his work and have a positive impact on those around him just like his father.

October 25 at 6:14 AM



M Ramadoss posted:

From M Ramadoss, his classmate at the undergrad. Met him in Chennai months ago. Will forever remember him for his being a cool cat but fighting ferociously, his maintaining a special Tamil accent till last, his enjoying being at the frontier of cutting edge tech till his last breath and his handling complex issues with nonchalant ease.

October 22 at 11:52 PM



Tribute Wall

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Prakash S posted:

I lost a true friend whom I could trust and confide my innermost personal feelings. My heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family.

October 22 at 5:30 AM



Mahendran T shared a photo to the **Scanned Photos** album.



October 22 at 3:15 AM



Karthikeyan P S posted:

My heart felt condolences and may his rest-in-peace. We knew for more than 45 years and last spoke to him in March. Shocked to hear his demise.

October 22 at 3:13 AM



Janet Dakouvanos October 22 at 9:15 AM

My deepest sympathy to Raji, Arun and family. Selvaraj was a very special person-so kind, warm and generous. I have wonderful memories of Selvaraj, Raji and Arun always visiting and taking me to the Turning Point when they came to NJ. Those visits meant so much to me. Rest in peace dear Selvaraj and may your memory be eternal. Dimitria D



Karthikeyan P S October 22 at 3:14 AM

May his soul rest in peace



Jagadeesh Kumar V posted:

My heartfelt condolences. I miss a true friend and guide. Jagadeesh Kumar V.

October 22 at 1:51 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Selvaraj.



October 21 at 2:35 PM



Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Rainbow Reflections Basket to the Seetharaman family.



October 21 at 10:08 AM



Kumaraswamy Ponnambalam posted:

Remembering my dear Selvaraj (sorry for the length).Just came back from delivering our second baby (yes I did as I was the only other person other than the doctor and it was traumatic for me) and was deeply sleeping when phone rang. It was Prof Unny from University of Waterloo who was offering me a postdoctoral fellow and apologizing for the small salary and mentioning in an indirect way that Selvaraj bothered him enough about me that he was offering it.Thanks, Selvaraj!But that was not the first time Selvaraj saved me. Even before I came to Canada, he found out that he could bother the University of Toronto to send me the proper offer letter for Ph.D. so that I could get the visa from New Delhi from Canada. It was his friend in New Delhi who was my contact to get all this done by telex (no emails those days). When I came to Canada, I landed in Montreal on September 12, 1981 to spend a night with Selvaraj before I came to Toronto to study.Thanks, Selvaraj!Even before all this I spent some nights staying with him in his IIT Hostel room, which are distant memories...I had my PhD when I moved to Waterloo, but Selvaraj still didn't have his degree, so I was happy to return some of his favours in a very small way for him to help complete his degree (mostly typesetting help and even more important was bothering him to finish the degree) also with the help of another friend Rajesh.He was our best friend, very affectionate and stern, and dear uncle to two of my kids at that time (Saroja and Kumary who may not remember him much) and we always had great times especially taking him in many of our family trips; he was also a good friend of not just my wife but also my sister-in-law who was visiting from Venezuela.Times passed, he moved to the USA, and we lost much of our connection. Once he visited us with his new wife Raji and spent some time again with the kids (photos should be there somewhere) and the last time was when he visited in 2014, I believe, when Prof Kesavan passed away. It was nice to see him with Arun at that time and we visited Rajesh family in Toronto. That visit is still fresh in my memory.Thanks, Selvaraj!!

October 19 at 11:27 AM



Ponnambalam (Ponnu)-Tiuley, Waterloo, Ca planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Selvaraj.



October 21 at 7:17 AM



Tribute Wall

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PW

Ponnambalam (Ponnu)-Tiuley, Waterloo, Ca sent an Arrive in Style to the Seetharaman family.

October 21 at 7:17 AM



RR

Raj R. planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Selvaraj.

October 21 at 6:18 AM



EJ

Ed Jernigan posted:

Selva was my guide in Mumbai, my grad student at Waterloo where he was the best Signals and Systems TA I ever had, honorary kind uncle to my children, and a life long loyal and true friend. Gone too soon.

October 21 at 5:47 AM

AS

Arun Seetharaman shared 6 photos to the **Scanned Photos** album.

October 19 at 11:27 AM



PB

Philip Bird posted:

It is with deep sadness that I have lost a friend and colleague. Selvaraj and I were in almost daily contact for the past two years or more. He will be sorely missed. Walk on Selvaraj, walk on.Phil

October 20 at 10:50 AM

DP

Dave Prasad posted:

My condolences to the family of Selvaraj. I was introduced to Selvaraj 2 years ago and he left a everlasting impression on me. He spoke his truth and always had me laughing. He will be missed.RIP my friend and thankyou for always keeping it real!Dave

October 20 at 8:10 AM



Tribute Wall

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DR

Donald Rhodes lit a candle in honor of Selvaraj.

Dr. Sal (as we referred to him) was a colleague and mentor to many within the C5ISR Team. I had many memorable conversations with him when he worked for me at Booz Allen. His years of experience and wisdom were invaluable as I attempted to navigate the Booz Allen team on our contract. He always told me what I needed to hear rather than what I wanted to hear, and I always valued his honest input into the decision process. Dr. Sal you will be missed. Rest in Peace.



October 20 at 4:01 AM

MM

Michael Mcgrath planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Selvaraj.



October 19 at 11:48 AM

MM

Michael Mcgrath sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Seetharaman family.



October 19 at 11:48 AM

AR

Archie posted:

Selvaraj will be missed by his friends at C5ISR as he was a good friend, colleague and mentor. Sel's stories were colorful and always had us laughing. He has many accomplishments supporting the Army and the American Soldiers through technology advancement and research. God speed Selvaraj in your next journey. -Archie Kujawski

October 19 at 11:27 AM



Resthaven Memorial Gardens shared a **Webcast Video**.

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Peter Roe October 22 at 7:25 AM
The video wouldn't play for me petee



Farla October 22 at 6:28 AM
The video also isn't working for me.



C Maheswara Reddy October 22 at 6:22 AM
Heart felt condolences to Selvaraj family members To Bujji & Arun Pray to Almighty for peaceful rest at Divine feet for the departed soul



S Rajasundaram October 22 at 6:24 AM
Video is not playing



Mahendran T shared a photo to the **Scanned Photos** album.

October 22 at 3:15 AM

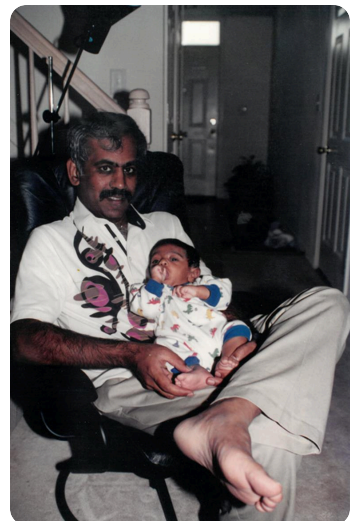
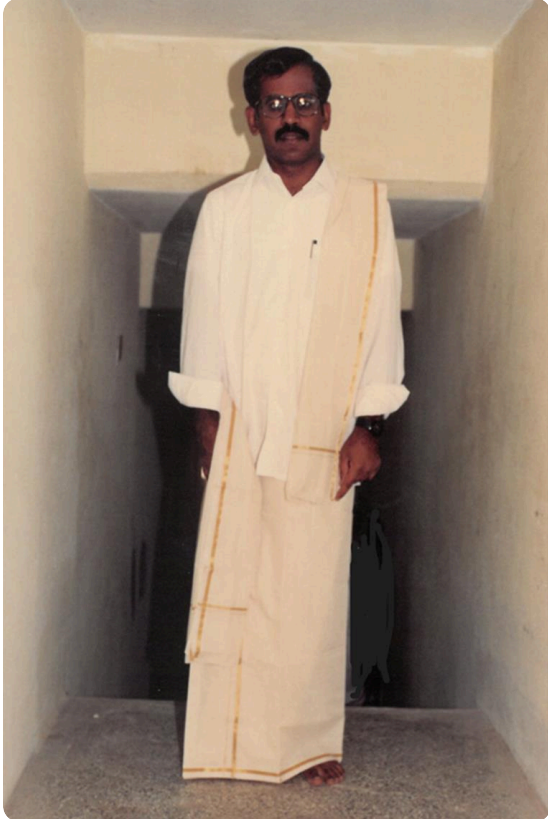


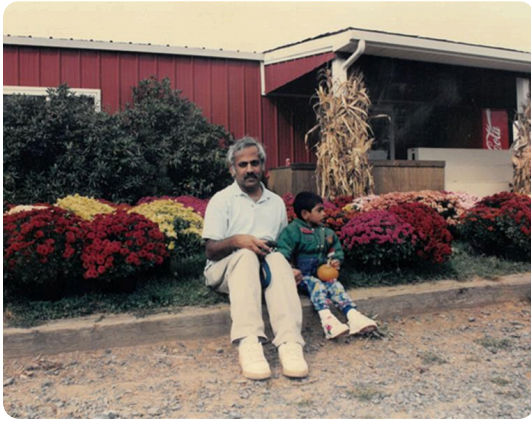
Jan23 IIT-M canteen with our friends



Arun Seetharaman shared 6 photos to the **Scanned Photos** album.

October 20 at 8:44 PM







Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Selvaraj by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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