

## In memory of G.R.



The antyeṣṭi, final rites of Sri. G. Ramachandran, pūrvāśrama brother of Pūjya Svāmiji who attained śivaloka prāpti on the 7th of January this year ended today with the performance of the 13th day ritual in Manjakkudi, the native village of Pūjya Svāmiji. A bhikṣā was sponsored today in memory of beloved Sri. G.Ramachandran fondly known as GR. Manjakkudi and GR cannot be separated and he is all-pervasive there and all around Manjakkudi. His pleasant speech, welcoming face, ready to serve disposition at all costs, ignoring his own health, tireless efforts in administering all the

projects there, have to be remembered on this day. All the devotees and students of Pūjya Svāmiji share the grief of all those connected to him and pray for the peace Sri. G.R.



## OBITUARY



Sri G. Ramachandran (3.1.1935-7.1.2013)

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Sri G. Ramachandran was to his last breath a sevak dedicated to realising Swamiji's vision in and around Manjakkudi, Swamiji's and his birthplace. His capacity to bring people together and his ability to reach out were matched only by the largeness of his heart. GR Sir, as he was called by all who worked with him, was the sun around whom spun Manjakkudi and the hundreds of villages and their people. He nurtured their growth, shared their joys and sorrows. No event of note was left untouched by his thoughtful presence. His mere presence brought hope, confidence and security to all his people.

Every brick of the buildings administered by the Swami Dayananda Educational Trust resonates with his spirit. We will miss him as will the people and thousands upon thousands of staff, students, colleagues—in fact, everyone who came to know him. And their name is legion. He was Manjakkudi, and with his sudden passing away, he leaves behind a void that will be hard to fill. Let us rededicate ourselves to Sri GR and to his spirit of Seva.



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