

## Periappa

Home videos suggest my first encounter with Periappa was a pleasant one, with him advising my parents on what to do and how not to spoil me. Even as a grown man he had my best interests at heart, and would always give me advice on various aspects of life, learning from his past experiences. Given my dad had passed away in my early 20s, Periappa wanted to ensure I was successful and going in the right direction in life. If it wasn't for Periappa, I might not have had these precious home videos to watch - as my dad followed in his older brother's footsteps; by recording as much of life as possible on the heavy, over the shoulder camcorders from the 80s/90s.

Periappa enjoyed joking around with me, given I was his youngest nephew. We would fondly tease each other, but jokes aside he would push me to do better - enjoy life, move abroad, build up my capital, get married, start a family and SAVE, SAVE, SAVE! Even though I was employed within Finance, he was more knowledgeable than I was! He encouraged me to listen to certain radio shows to improve my finance knowledge and to stay up to date.

I was impressed with the life he had built in Cheam with Periamma, impressed with how much he had travelled with work and how he had risen up the ranks, and impressed with how he continued to swim to keep fit. Later in life I enjoyed listening to old stories from his travels, or stories about my dad in his youth, looking through old pictures as well as his coin collection.

Periappa - I hope you're enjoying yourself wherever you are (with lots of food and lots of gravy!). I look forward to seeing you again when the time comes. May your soul rest in peace.

**Love  
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