

## RAYMOND CARVER

Raymond Carver was a writer of short stories and poet who is known to be one of the most important contributors to the American literature. He was influenced by his mentor John Gardner, who is studied under in the late 1960's. Carver pioneered a new realism called "precisionist realism", "dirty realism" or sometimes called "K-mart realism". The stories are set in shopping malls, trailer parks, or other tropes of the 80's and focused on insignificant details that might change an otherwise common life.