

Practical senior care tips for everyday challenges

Hi Friend,

When my grandmother started having trouble using her cell phone, I remember wishing there were better options to offer her. At the time, a flip phone seemed too basic, but her iPhone was too complex. She didn't need every bell and whistle. She just wanted to be able to call and/or text her family.

Watching her struggle with small icons, tapping the wrong buttons, and getting confused by multiple screens was frustrating for her and stressful for all of us.

Recently, Chris and I had a chance to test the [Raz Memory Cell Phone](#), a simplified "smart phone" specifically designed for people with memory impairment, and put it through its paces. I wish I had known about this cell phone option when my grandmother was struggling with hers.



Home screen of the Raz Mobility Cell Phone

Observations and Highlights

Instead of menus and apps, the phone shows one simple screen with large photos of trusted contacts. Tap a picture to place a call. Nothing locks. Nothing disappears or turns off.

From your own phone, you can control the optional features you want for your loved one through the Raz Care caregiver app. You can:

- Add and remove trusted contacts remotely
- **Block all unknown and scam callers (this is absolutely brilliant)**
- Check the battery level and GPS location of the phone
- Set reminders, quiet hours, and receive loneliness alerts

A few of the many features of the phone include:

- Hear the name of the caller for an incoming call
- Text messages can be read aloud
- Video calls only come from approved caregivers to prevent confusion.
- Additional optional features for people with low-vision and Parkinson's Disease

This is one of the best phones we've seen for people who are struggling with the complexities of a traditional smartphone. It trades flashy features for safety, simplicity, and caregiver control.

👉 *Read our full review here-->* [The RAZ Memory Cell Phone for Seniors](#)

The phone is unlocked, so you can keep your loved one's current number and use most major carriers, including Verizon, AT&T, T-Mobile, Mint Mobile, Consumer Cellular, Straight Talk, and several Canadian providers.

RAZ is currently offering [3 months of free wireless service](#) with the purchase of a phone. Plans start at \$20/month after the trial.

We hope you find this useful if you or a loved one is struggling with a traditional smartphone.

Until next week,

Amie and Chris

P.s. Thank you to everyone who sent us recommendations about your favorite caregiver tools and products. We are working our way through them! Do you have a favorite caregiving tool, product, or hack you'd like us to share in the newsletter? **Reply to the email** and let us know!

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