



## Raymond F. Lewis

August 17, 1921 - January 28, 2014

RAYMOND F. LEWIS – 1921 TO 2014 Raymond Frederick Lewis, 92, passed away Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at home in Fort Collins, Colorado. Ray was born to Raymond and Nettie Lewis on August 17, 1921 in Highland Park, New Jersey. Ray lived and raised his family in Edison, New Jersey for many years before relocating to Fort Collins, Colorado in 1992. He graduated from Highland Park High School and subsequently enlisted in the United States Airforce Aviation Cadet Program and it was there he obtained his pilot's license. As a young man, Ray was a professional union musician who played the drums and vibra harp with the Lou Jacobs Big Band Orchestra. Later in life he also enjoyed playing the organ. He was employed with Ford Motor Company for 33 years and retired from his career as Distribution Manager of the NY/Eastern Region. Even at the age of 90, Ray was an avid golfer, enjoyed numerous family vacations and took much pride in gardening and landscaping around the home. Ray's love for socializing and good conversation was evident with many good friends, but most of all his family. Over the years he contributed his time as a Boy Scout leader, Meals on Wheels volunteer and with the Kiwanis Club of Poudre Golden K. He is survived by his loving wife of 72 years, Adeline R. Lewis Umbehauer; his three sons, Raymond F Lewis, Jr. of Millersville, Maryland, Ronald C. Lewis and his wife, Linda of Fort Collins, Colorado and Scott D. Lewis and his wife, Patricia of Edison, New Jersey. Ray has six grandchildren, Benett, Tara, Michael, Rylund, Alyson and Dayna as well as five great-grandchildren,

Michael, Braelyn, Lee, Logan and Reese. Ray's loving, generous and up-beat personality will always be remembered. His friendly smile will be greatly missed. The kindness of his heart touched so many and will stay with us all forever. A memorial service was held on Friday, January 31 at Bohlanders Funeral Chapel in Fort Collins, Colorado. View or sign the guest book at [www.bohlenderfuneralchapel.com](http://www.bohlenderfuneralchapel.com). Memorial donations in Ray's name may be made to the Kiwanis Club, The Mountain Gorilla Conservation Fund MGCF, [www.saveagorilla.org](http://www.saveagorilla.org) or The Morris Animal Foundation at [www.morrisanimalfoundation.com](http://www.morrisanimalfoundation.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ To the Lewis family I'd like you all to know what a great pleasure and experience it was to care for your father and his prostate issue. He was as positive a person and memory as anyone I've ever met or cared for. I just had knee replacement surgery that prohibited me from attending his service. With warmest regards and sincere condolences. Stephen Brutscher, D.O.

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**Stephen Brutscher, D.O.** - February 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I worked at Columbine West years ago so my memories of Ray involve the relationship he had with Nettie. As a mother of 2 boys, I have much admiration for the love, respect and attention that he gave her.

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**Phyllis Sitzman** - February 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Lewis family, I am so sorry to hear of Ray's passing. He was such a light to so many, including me nearly 20 years ago when I worked at Columbine Care Center West caring for his mom, Nettie. He is one of those family members one never forgets--always kind, upbeat and bringing cheer wherever he went. I enjoyed seeing him in town over the years and reminiscing about his mom. Please accept my heartfelt condolences. Deirdre Sullivan, former social worker at Columbine West

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**Deirdre Sullivan** - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ We remember the first time we saw Ray and Addie taking a walk and noticed them holding hands. We thought what a wonderful example of day to day love. We watched them together for many, many years. Ray was always a talker and we loved visiting with him in the neighborhood. He always collected golf balls for our sons as they grew up. He will not be forgotten. Our hearts go out to the entire Lewis family.

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**Gary and Elizabeth Huffman** - January 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM