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Paul Raymond Loyd 1943-2023

Paul Loyd was born September 17, 1943, in Oak Park, Illinois, to Guy and Constance Loyd. He passed away on January 1, 2023 at Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs from Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis.

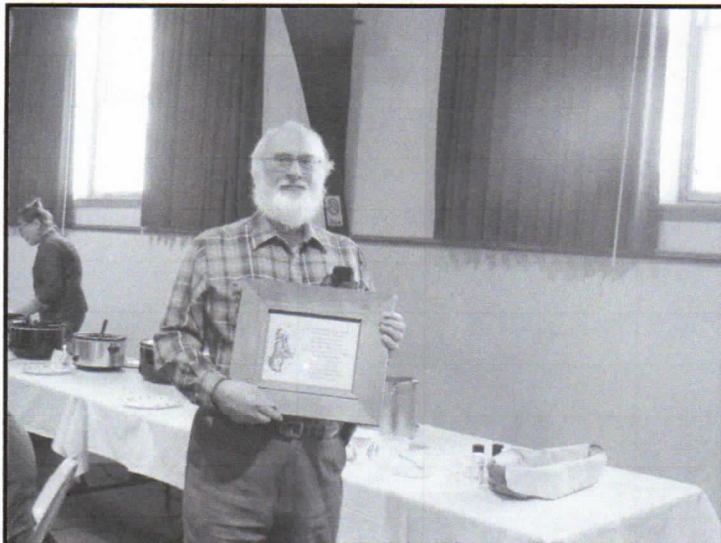
Paul was the oldest of six siblings-five sisters and one brother. He attended the University of Illinois, Champaign. He was the news director of WPGU Student Radio for three and a half years.

Paul joined the U.S. Air Force, where he served for four years. While serving, he learned Russian at Syracuse University, where he had the title of **Voice "INTCP PROC SPECL"**-Top Secret Crypto clearance. He also attended Arctic Survival Training. The Air Force continued Paul's education. He was stationed in Alaska, England and Japan, with top security clearance. He received a citation to accompany the award of the Air Medal for his *Outstanding proficiency and steadfast devotion to duty under extremely hazardous conditions*, and distinguished himself by meritorious achievement.

Upon his Honorable Discharge, Paul became the computer analyst for the Loyola University Medical Center, where he worked for over 32 years.

When Paul's father passed away, Paul became the head of household. When he built his home in Woodland Park, he included a suite off the kitchen for his mother, who was born in Colorado and loved the mountains. When she became ill, his sister, Sue, moved in to help out with her care. After their mother passed away, Paul asked Sue to stay.

During his 23 years in Woodland Park, Paul devoted his time to volunteering. He was the Photo Librarian at the Ute Pass Historical Society for over twenty years, and also volunteered many hours at the Woodland Park Senior Center. Paul was very generous with his support of numerous non-profit organizations, including Food Pantry, Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, and several area historical societies and museums.



Paul receiving his Lifetime Membership Award
January, 2019

Photo by Judy Perkins

Paul was preceded in death by his parents, Guy and Constance Loyd, sister Judith Siok and brothers-in-law Bill Akins (Deanna), Edward Janicki (Susan) and Gilbert Siok.

Paul is survived by sisters Deanna Akins, Susan Janicki, Rita Mann (Michael), Lisa Battersby (Stephen), brother Gregory Loyd (Ronne), fifteen nieces and nephews, and thirteen great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held on January 21, 2023 at the Senior Center in Woodland Park.

Paul's ashes will be interred at Pikes Peak National Cemetery in Colorado Springs.

Paul will remain by the mountains he loved!

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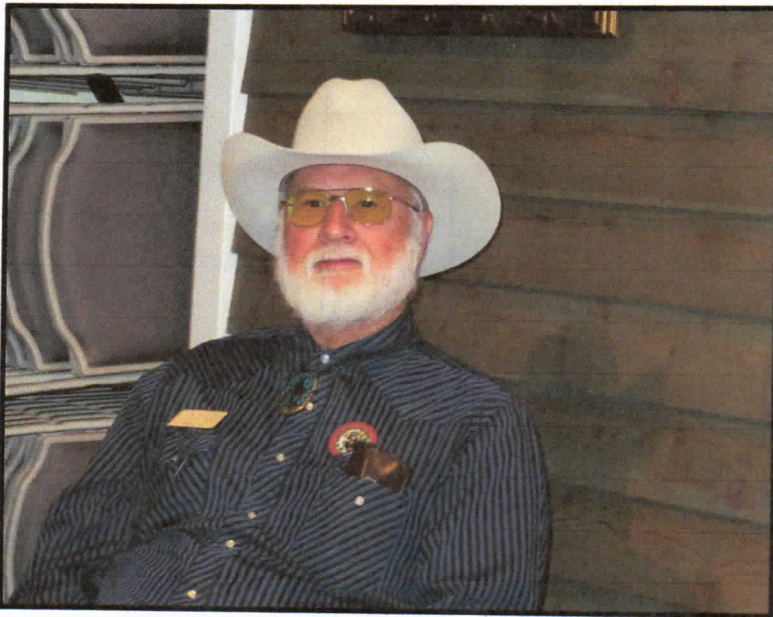
Eulogy for a Good Man

by Michael Mann

A story about Paul R. Loyd should, I think, begin with this story:

A young boy, about 8, asked an old wise man, “Tell me sir, in which field could I make a great career?” The old man said with a smile, “Be a good human being. There is a lot of opportunity in this area, and very little competition.”

Paul succeeded in turning this advice into a reality—woven into the fabric of his whole life. In fact, he was “good” at many things. He was a good brother, son, uncle, friend, and human being. He was a good citizen, employee, and co-worker. He was a kind and generous man. He was a great listener, and tried his best to help everyone who came across his path.



Paul at the “Moose is Loose” presentation in Woodland Park, 2019

Photo by Judy Perkins



Paul volunteering at the Mountain Arts Festival, 2018

Photo by Judy Perkins

The stories of his “assists” were endless. He helped his parents in raising six younger siblings. He was always shy, which made people perceive him as a “loner”, but always was ready to give-of himself and his time, to his mother, to his brothers and sisters, and to his to his nieces and nephews. He always tried to do his acts of service in silence, because he was a very private person.

However, his intelligence and steadiness were always apparent, so his character was always on display for those who bothered to see how a good man lives his life.

He was not a gregarious man. He did not “carry the conversation” in most social situations. He would rather read than talk. He had a bad habit of having too much reading material—and refused to get rid of it, even after consuming it (because, he would say, “there’s no telling when I might need this article again”). How ironic that a man who ushered in the digital age was so fixated on the written words!

Paul was highly intelligent and, if you asked the “right” question (s) - he could keep the lucky listener engaged for a long time while he “went on” about a myriad of subjects. So, he certainly not allergic to social interaction. He just wasn’t very good at talking “about the flowers” with most people.

In many ways, our brother had many contradictory personality traits. He had a keen sense of adventure—always curious about different places, tastes, and people. At the same time, he was very conservative, protective, and highly skeptical of those same “adventurous” people, places and situations. I guess you could say that he was willing to try

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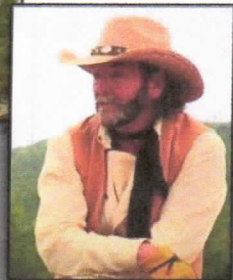


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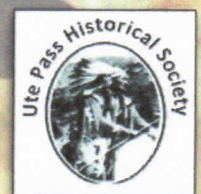
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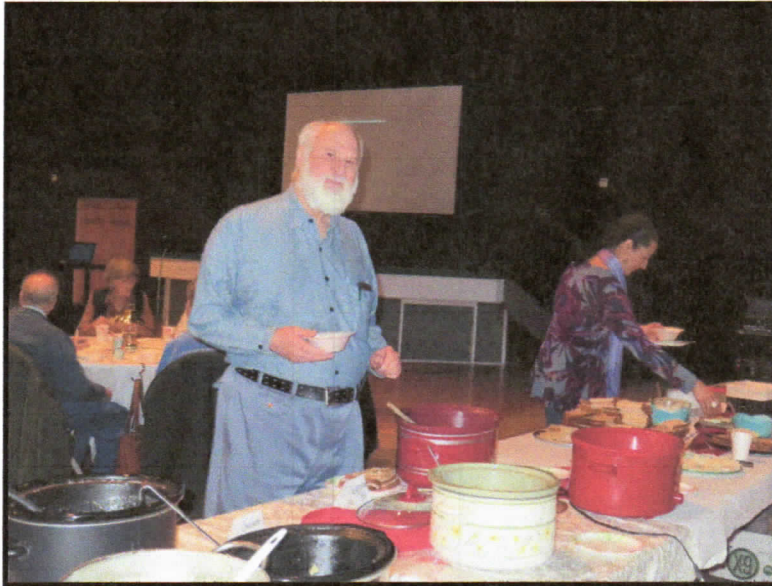
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almost anything once...but if he found he didn't like "it"...well—he scrupulously avoided making that "mistake" again. He was very "picky" about what he wore, ate or drank—almost the point of having developed a routine from which he did not wish to deviate. However, these routines did not deter him from dropping all conventions to come to the aid of people that he cared about—and even doing it their way, and accommodating them, at least for some short period of time.



Paul Loyd at the 2018 Annual Patron Luncheon
Photo by Judy Perkins

He had a proclivity for procrastination, but leapt into instant action when he sensed any signs of danger. I could go on with other "contradictory traits", but, in short and bottom line, he had a finely attuned sense of "keeping his *balance*" that always kept him grounded in the reality of who he was—and who he chose to become.

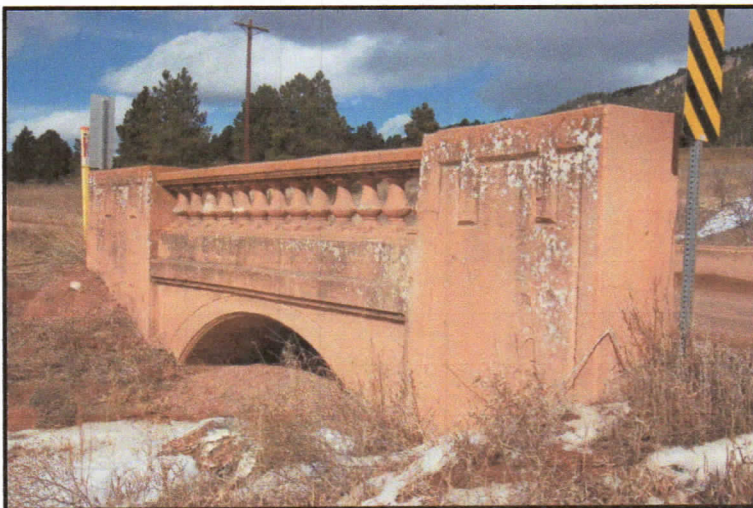
Paul was, and will forever be, a "good man" in keeping with the advice that he received as a young man. He deeply loved (and was loved by) his family and friends. He will be grievously missed by those who were lucky enough to know him on any level. He will miss these beautiful Rocky Mountains that he loved so much that he built his dream home here many years ago. And, the mountains will miss and remember him! Go with God. Peace be with you Brother.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Ute Pass Historical Society

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Local historian and author Steve Plutt just received word from History Colorado that his nomination of the Crystola Bridge to the National Register of Historic Places has been approved and accepted by the National Park Service. Because it made it to the National Register, it is automatically listed on the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties

Steve started the project two years ago and spent about two hundred hours doing research and putting together the nomination.

We now have a historic landmark in the Woodland Park section of Teller County that is officially recognized on the National Register of Historic Places. In fact, it is now Woodland Park's only landmark that is on the National Register.

Upcoming Events

Land Office reopens	Saturday, June 17	Green Mountain Falls
Cemetery Crawl	Tuesday, July 4	Woodland Park
Bronc Day	Saturday, July 29	Green Mountain Falls
Potato Soup Supper Community Club	Friday, October ?	Divide
Annual Crafts Fair Marcroft Hall	Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 4 and 5	Chipita Park



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Reserve a Date and Time for your Free Tour

The Gift Shop and Museum Center are located in History Park, 231 E. Henrietta Avenue, across from the Woodland Park Library.

While at the Gift Shop, ask about taking a free guided tour of the five historic buildings at History Park.

The Shop is open Wednesday, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and Thursday through Saturday, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Check out the current display on the third floor of the library. Get a head start on the new film, "Dude Ranches in the Shadow of Pikes Peak", showing at the Gold Hill Theater on April 16 at 11:00 am. Admission: \$7.00.



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It is an honor to serve you!