



Raymond Lee McCune

March 24, 1953 - August 24, 2025

Raymond Lee McCune, age 72, of Kimbolton, Ohio, passed away on Sunday, August 24, 2025 at his home. He was born on March 24, 1953 in Casablanca, French Morocco, North Africa, the son of the late Dale A. McCune and Barbara R. (Rankin) McCune.

Ray graduated in 1971 from Springfield High School in Akron alongside the love of his life, Chris. He became a journeyman machinist after completing the Goodyear Apprenticeship program. He served his country in the U.S. Army National Guard as a helicopter mechanic and pilot. He was a substitute teacher for Akron high schools. Ray retired from the Akron Fire Department after 25 years of service, having worked as a firefighter, an EMT and paramedic, and as part of the Rope and Rescue Team, the Scuba Rescue Team, the Hazmat Team and in the Training department. Ray, Chris, and his sister Dani were instrumental in the mass production of the Fallen Man Harness—a life-saving harness for firefighters—through their work with Ladder 9 Concepts. Ray was a member of Summit County Emergency Management, MENSA, and the Dover Steam Show. He was a faithful attendee of Cambridge Bible Church. He also enjoyed playing Santa Claus, and being a welder, mechanic, and machinist (including in his own shop, Rusty Machine). During his time at the fire department, Ray created a table-top training game for first responders to a hazmat incident (Hot Zone), firefighting in a multi-occupancy building (On the Tip), and responding to a mass casualty incident (Triage), which were well received by firefighters across the country.

Ray knew at least a little bit about how everything worked, was an avid collector of many things, was a determined but okay-ish piano student, and would offer a helping hand to anyone.

Ray is survived by his best friend and wife of 53 years, Christine (Johnson) McCune; their children Russell (Brenda) McCune of Cambridge, Jennifer (Matthew) Edwards of Columbus, Megan McCune (Elizabeth Hathaway) of Chicago, IL; siblings Denise (Curtis) Keith of Akron, Roy (Christine) McCune of Akron, and Danielle (P.C. dec.) Charley of Akron; grandchildren Ryan McCune, Mary and Michael Cannon, Alexander and Liliana Edwards, and Madison, Karina, and Abigail Hathaway; great-grandchildren La'Neitrah and Malaysia; great-great-grandson Aiden; nieces Melissa Thrall, Jennifer (Dane) Brillhart, and Melanie (Grant) Bushby; nephew Roy Keith; great-nieces Courtney and Charli; and great-great-nieces and nephews Eli, Echo, Eniya, and Esaiiah. He was also beloved by many extended family members and an expansive network of friends and neighbors.

Visitation will be on Saturday, August 30, 2025 at Bundy-Law Funeral Home, 120 N. 11th St, Cambridge, OH, 43725, from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Pastor Dave Saxton will officiate the service at 1:00pm, with the Firefighter's Last Alarm following. A memorial dinner will be held afterwards at Cambridge Bible Church, 125 Meadow Park Drive, Cambridge, Ohio 43725. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cambridge Bible Church. Ray's online guest book may be viewed and signed at www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

At a later date

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 30. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bundy-Law Funeral Home
120 North 11th Street
Cambridge, OH 43725
(740) 432-5705
info@bundy-lawfuneralhome.com
<https://www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Services

AUG 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Bundy-Law Funeral Home - September 01, 2025 at 11:57 PM



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Bundy-Law Funeral Home - September 01, 2025 at 11:56 PM



“ *Cris, I am sorry to hear of Ray's passing. My heart is with you and your family.*

John Montavon - August 29, 2025 at 12:11 PM



“ *Can't recall a specific memory of Ray but he was always a welcome sight at school. He was always funny to talk to and happy to see you. I'm sorry, Chris, that he's gone early. God Bless.*

Tom James - August 27, 2025 at 05:37 PM

CH

“ *Cliff and Catherine Hathaway purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Raymond Lee McCune.*



Cliff and Catherine Hathaway - August 27, 2025 at 04:08 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Raymond Lee McCune, give you peace,
comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You
will not be forgotten...*

*My thoughts
and prayers to the family of*

*US Army National Guard Veteran, Raymond Lee McCune, is “A
True American Hero” God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life
for his friends. John 15:13 †*

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - August 27, 2025 at 09:25 AM

PF

“ Paul Cernava Jr. and Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Raymond Lee McCune.



Paul Cernava Jr. and Family - August 26, 2025 at 04:26 PM

PF

“ Paul Cernava Jr. and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond Lee McCune.

Paul Cernava Jr. and Family - August 26, 2025 at 04:26 PM

DO

“ Ray was a good friend and a great person. He will be missed by all who knew him! My heartfelt condolences Chris.

Douglas Ott - August 26, 2025 at 12:49 PM

TT

“ My condolences to Chris and all of Ray’s family and friends. Ray was a great friend and coworker at the Akron Fire Department. He and I shared similar interests and enjoyed swapping stories back and forth. I wish I’d had more opportunities to see him after he retired and moved to the country. I know he enjoyed the last chapter of his life in Kimbolton, and getting to spend a little more time with family. Ray was a great firefighter, mentor, and teacher. He will be dearly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. RIP brother.

Todd Tompkins

Todd Tompkins - August 26, 2025 at 11:26 AM

JR

What a great legacy Chris. I am glad I got to know him in high school and a grand trombone player. Always kind. May the Lord comfort you Chris 🙏❤️

Joyce Reeder - August 27, 2025 at 09:38 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Raymond Lee McCune.

August 26, 2025 at 11:17 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond Lee McCune.



August 26, 2025 at 11:17 AM

PC

“ Paul, Frank & Diane, CH & Chris purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Raymond Lee McCune.



Paul, Frank & Diane, CH & Chris - August 26, 2025 at 10:50 AM

PC

“ Paul, Frank & Diane, CH & Chris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond Lee McCune.

Paul, Frank & Diane, CH & Chris - August 26, 2025 at 10:50 AM

FH

“ From, Mike and Michelle Hoskins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond Lee McCune.

From, Mike and Michelle Hoskins - August 26, 2025 at 10:40 AM

FH

“ From, Mike and Michelle Hoskins purchased the *Fiery Lily and Rose* for the family of Raymond Lee McCune.



From, Mike and Michelle Hoskins - August 26, 2025 at 10:40 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Raymond Lee McCune.

August 26, 2025 at 10:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Raymond Lee McCune.



August 26, 2025 at 10:32 AM