



Raymond Lavish

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Raymond D. Lavish, of Amherst passed away Saturday, June 15, 2013 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on August 26, 1923 in Latrobe, PA. to John and Anna (nee Fedor) Lavish. He attended Lorain High School.

Raymond enlisted with the United States Army and was honorably discharged in 1947. While serving with the Army he worked with the wounded veterans aiding them with their physical rehabilitation.

He was employed by Ohio Edison as a Trouble Shooter, retiring in 1985 after 40 years of service. Raymond was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Amherst, the Vincentians of St. Joseph, the St. Joseph Senior Citizens, Lorain County Wood Carvers Association and SCOA (Senior Citizens of Amherst).

Raymond was an avid photographer and wood carver. His church and his family were his life.

He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Margaret E. (nee Izold); son, Raymond (Lois) Lavish Jr., of Gaston, Oregon; daughters, Lesley (Jeffrey) Howells, of Amherst and Christine (Chuck) Eberhardt, of Scottsdale, Arizona; grandchildren, Beth Russ, Jackie Stillwagon, Nicole (Dan) Pelner and Will Lavish.

Raymond was preceded in death by his parents John and Anna Lavish; brothers, Robert, Donald and Richard Lavish; and his sister, Dorothy Fradley.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to staff of Mercy Hospital, Specialty Hospital of Lorain, in Amherst and New Life Hospice for the wonderful care they provided to Raymond.

The Lavish family will receive friends on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Dovin and Reber Jones Funeral & Cremation Center, 1110 Cooper Foster Park Road, Amherst. Closing prayers will be said at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 19th. in the funeral center followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m. at St.



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Joseph Catholic Church, 200 St. Joseph Drive, Amherst. Rev. Fr. Lawrence Martello, Pastor, will officiate. Private family inurnment will take place at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery at a later date.

The family suggest contributions be made in memory of Raymond to St. Joseph Catholic Church.




Online condolences may be left for the family at www.dovinreberjones.com

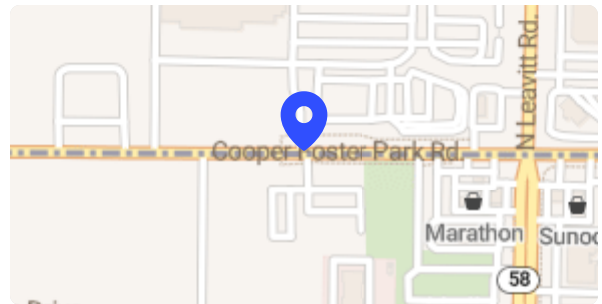


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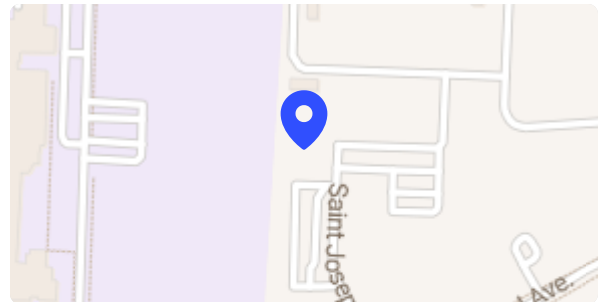
Visitation

-  **Tuesday**, June 18, 2013
-  4:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET
-  **Dovin and Reber Jones Funeral & Cremation Center**
1110 Cooper Foster Park Road, Amherst OH 44001



Funeral Mass

-  **Wednesday**, June 19, 2013
-  10:30 AM ET
-  **St. Joseph Catholic Church**
200 St. Joseph Drive, Amherst OH 44001





Tribute Wall

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DN

David Fradley - Boca Raton, FI - Nephew posted:

Our condolences. Uncle Ray was a favorite of the Fradley gang. Our stature grew whenever we told a story of Ray - especially the Oregon episode. Because of these memories he will never be gone.

June 26 at 8:00 PM

BB

Bill And Diane Hall - Satellite Beach, FI posted:

So sorry for your loss we remember well the days Ray and our Dad Andy Niemiec worked together
Our condolences to your family Bil and Diane

June 19 at 8:00 PM

SC

Susan (Fedor) Dzbenski - Trenton, Nj - Cousin posted:

Marge, I'm sorry to hear of Ray's passing. It's been many, many years since we've seen each other. I'll pass the news on to Mary Ann & George, who both live within 15/20 minutes from me here in NJ. Last week was 8 years since I lost my husband. You and your family will continue to be in my Prayers
Susie (Fedor) Dzbenski

June 18 at 8:00 PM

MS

Mary Puglise - Cleveland, Oh - Friend Of Jackie Stillwagon posted:

Jackie:You and your family have my deepest condolences. From the stories you shared with me, your grandfather sounds like a wonderful person. I am sure he is looking down on you from heaven.
Please let me know if you need anything.Mary

June 18 at 8:00 PM

JR

Jane Baldwin - Rocky River, Oh posted:

Lesley and Jeff the kids and I are so sorry for your loss. We are praying for your family.Jane, Talyah & Niko

June 18 at 8:00 PM



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RN

Robert Savina - New York, Ny - Nephew posted:

Auntie Marge and family - I'm so sorry for Uncle Ray's passing, but happy I got to see the both of you on my last visit to Amherst a couple of years ago when he was still getting around. Words fail me because there is a lifetime of memories I have of him. Uncle Ray was a bigger-than-life kind of guy, in my eyes - especially after the Oregon incident. But, it was the normal activities like the picnics and bacon fries, showers, weddings, and all the other events...sometimes, just sitting around our kitchen tables and talking and laughing that fills me with great love and admiration for him. Both my parents absolutely adored the both of you. As kids, we always got excited when you and Ray would pull into the yard. Uncle Ray was my last uncle and always made me feel okay about myself. He accepted me, as is. He was a very positive role model for me and a gentleman. He's excellent company now with the others we've had to let go of. I'm sorry I'm not there, but I know that your wonderful family will surround you with great love, comfort and care. You are always in my thoughts and prayers. I love you. Bob

June 18 at 8:00 PM

CV

Christine Fulton - Vermilion, Oh posted:

Marge, you have my deepest sympathy. I'm sure he's talking with Earl now and Ohio Edison.

June 17 at 8:00 PM

HG

Heather Howells Kelley - Georgetown, Grand Cayman - Step Granddaughter posted:

Our heart felt condolences, to Marge, Les, Dad, Beth, Jackie, and everyone grieving the Loss of Ray. I wish we were there to lend a shoulder and strength, during this fragile time. Love you all, Love,,,,,Heather, Tim, and Austin Kelley

June 17 at 8:00 PM

DP

Denia (Thorne) Gaspar - Brook Park, Oh posted:

Ray was a dear friend of my Dad (John) and I know he will be missed. I am so sorry for your loss. I hope you can find peace in the love of family and friends in the days ahead.

June 17 at 8:00 PM



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Renee And John A. Szefcyk li - Millersville, Tn - Friends posted:

Marge, Lesley and family, John, the girls and I send up all of our love and prayers to you since "dad" has passed. So many wonderful things to say about Ray... but to keep this short we will share our fond memories of his big smile and helpful heart! Now he has taken his rightful place as an angel, watching from the heavens above. May God's peace and love bring you all strength and comfort during this time. Sorry that we can not be there in person but we will pray a rosary for him and all of you during the funeral mass and many more throughout this week.

June 16 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Raymond by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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