

## Raymond Henry DeMoulin

1930 – 2015

Raymond Henry DeMoulin, 84, passed away Tuesday, March 3, 2015, with his beloved wife Barbara by his side. Service: 2 p.m. Monday, March 9, at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Arlington. Memorials: In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.



Ray was born Sept. 20, 1930, in Pueblo, Colo., to Charles and Josephine DeMoulin. Growing up in Denver, Colo., he graduated from the University of Denver with a BS in chemistry, and was hired by the Eastman Kodak Company in Rochester, N.Y., in 1954, where he lived and worked for 39 years. Ray held a variety of increasingly responsible positions at Kodak, including director of Photographic Technology, and Kodak sent him to Harvard in 1970 to attend their Executive Development Master's Degree Program for Business and Finance. His final seven years at Kodak, Ray was the VP/GM of the Professional Photography Division, and in this capacity touched the lives of thousands of professional photographers around the world through his vision and enthusiasm for photography. Ray's personal involvement helped fund hundreds of book and exhibition projects with photographers ranging from Richard Avedon, Sebastiao Salgado, Douglas Kirkland and Jodi Cobb, to underwriting the first look behind the walls of Beijing's Forbidden City, the 1,000th anniversary of the Russian Orthodox Church, and the wildly successful "A Day in the Life of..." series. This work brought him great joy, the lifelong friendships of the artists and photographers he worked with, and ultimately the nickname "St. Ray" for his help and support to the industry he loved. Also a digital visionary, Ray founded and directed the Center for Creative Imaging in Camden, Maine, in 1990, the world's first school for digital photography.

Ray loved his family and friends, and was always ready with a story (or two) or joke to fit any occasion. He and his wife Barbara loved to travel and play golf and vacation with their children and grandchildren, and their home was a place for entertainment and laughter throughout the year. Ray's passion for life made every person he met a lifelong friend. Among the many awards he received, Ray was most proud of the Joseph A. Sprague Award from the National Press Photographers Association, his honorary lifetime membership in the American Society of Media Photographers, honorary Master of Photography Award from the Professional Photographers of America, and his involvement as chairman of the International Center of Photography.

Ray was preceded in death by his siblings, Charles, Mary Jo and Bill; and his daughter, Kathryn "Kit" DeMoulin. Survivors: Ray is survived by his devoted wife of 21 years, Barbara; children, Scott, Chris, Jill and their spouses; grandchildren, Tara, Wills, Carrie, Olivia, Ethan and Nathan; and many nieces and nephews.