

OBITUARY  
Birger A. Freeberg Funeral Home Inc.  
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Raymond Russel Love, of Houtzdale, passed away Sunday Mar. 27, 2016 at his residence.

Born March 8, 1921 in Houtzdale, he was the son of Robert & Pearl (Charlton) Love.

Ray was a member of New Hope Christian Fellowship Church, Houtzdale; Moshannon Valley EMS, United Commercial Travelers, Houtzdale Lions Club where he was past president; Moshannon Valley Choral Club; Madera EMS; former president of the Clearfield County Republican Committee; former Houtzdale Little League Coach and served as Woodward Township Chief Constable. For more than 25 years he was a member of the Houtzdale Volunteer Fire Company and for 20 years he was a member of the Houtzdale Ramey EMS. Ray was a charter member of the Moshannon Valley School District and was one of the first school board members. He was one of the propitiators of Houtzdale Bottle Works.

Ray was a graduate of Houtzdale High School. He retired from National Bank of the Commonwealth and was the owner of Love's Service Station & Restaurant. He was a civilian aircraft observer during WWII

On November 17, 1951 in Houtzdale, he married Ruth O. (Thomas), who survives at home.

Ray is survived by a son Gregory Love and his companion Julie of Houtzdale; four grandchildren Elizabeth Ashley Crawford of Dubois, Joshua Force of Syracuse, NY, Raymond Force of Philipsburg and Jonathan Force of Houtzdale; and a brother Robert Love.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a daughter Brenda Lee Force; an infant grandson James Love; three brothers Frank Love, Walter Love and Tom Love; a sister Marge Love-Thomas and two infant sisters Adaline & Ruth.

Funeral Services will be held at the Birger A. Freeberg Funeral Home, Inc. on Wednesday Mar. 30, 2016 at 11:00am with Rev. Dennis Frantz officiating.

Friends will be received at the funeral home on Tuesday from 2 to 4 & 6 to 8 pm. The Houtzdale Lions Club will hold a memorial service Tuesday evening at 6:15pm. followed by the Houtzdale Fire Co service at 7:00pm. Both at the funeral home.

Interment will be in I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Brisbin.

Family suggests in lieu of flowers memorial donations be made to Houtzdale Lions Club, c/o of Donna Ellis, 203 Dorthea St., Houtzdale, Pa. 16651, Moshannon Valley EMS, P.O. Box 289 Philipsburg, Pa.16866 Pa or Houtzdale Ramey EMS, P.O. Box 224, Houtzdale, Pa. 16651

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.birgerafreebergfuneralhome.com](http://www.birgerafreebergfuneralhome.com).

**Condolences:** Please accept my deepest sympathies for the loss of Uncle Ray. While I cannot be there in person, my heart is there with the family. Love, Melanie

- Melanie Love

**Condolences:** Our deepest sympathy to Ruth and her son.

- Pat and Donna Gallaher