

In an email to Trevor at Ace Maggie & Alton Warwick of RAM RECORDS write.

We thank you so much for sending the information about Ray. We spoke with Dickie yesterday and we all grieve the loss of our dear, dear Ray.

We are so thankful Dickie took us out to Ray's house and we got to visit with him last January. Even though he could not speak, he understood us and responded with boisterous laughter. When Dickie asked questions about details of certain records, Ray responded quick with the correct information that Dickie understood. He was "Mr. Correct Facts" right to the end.

It is easy to say what Ray meant to me and Alton. He was the "long lost English brother" that we suddenly found a part of our family when he called up that rainy Sunday night inquiring about Ram Records. He is the person who revived Ram Records and was indeed a miracle in our lives, opening up treasures of opportunities unimaginable. He and Alton especially became "best buds" sharing that English heritage and sense of humor. We will always be so thankful to Ray and ACE Records and treasure the trips Ray made to visit us, along with John Broven and Ted Carroll.

Ray was not "easy" ... he demanded "facts in a frame of reality" and "true character" that so fitted the boys & girls of America who made the music of the 50's & 60's that Ray loved. We all loved him for his unique ways. He loved American food... we once ate four times in one day at Murrell's grill in Shreveport... breakfast, lunch, dinner and then an early morning snack when we left the studio. It was his favorite place in Shreveport...good thing it was a 24 hour cafe. It was the historic place where Hank Williams and the musicians of Shreveport hung out back during the Louisiana Hayride days.

We will always remember Ray... underneath that rugged exterior was a real and caring man.

We send God's blessing for him and his dear family and friends. Wish we could be with you all at the service.