

# Pioneer Award

**FRANK V. DOMENICO, JR.  
2010**



Frank was born in Louisville and grew up there, and after graduation he served with the U.S. Army in Korea from 1953 to 1954. He worked for the Rocky Flats Weapons Plant from 1962 until he retired in 1992.

Frank's service to the Louisville community included serving on the Louisville City Council for six years in the 1970s and 1980s. He also gave of his time to the Tri City Elks and the Louisville American Legion. He was a charter and lifetime member of the Louisville Society of Italian Americans, Sons of Italy, and the Louisville VFW. He was appointed to the Louisville Historical Commission and worked on cataloging historic photos for the Louisville Historical Museum.

Besides his family, Frank's great love was music, especially drumming. He was a very accomplished drummer and played with all the big bands in the Denver area. Frank was playing a "gig" at one of Denver's finer restaurants when Mickey Rooney came in dressed in jeans, a cowboy hat, shirt and red high top tennis shoes. He asked Frank to sit in on a couple of numbers as he was a fantastic drummer too. They exchanged drumming antics until the place closed at 2:00 a.m.

**BORN DECEMBER 19, 1934 IN LOUISVILLE, COLORADO  
DIED MAY 27, 2009 IN LOUISVILLE, COLORADO**