old tractor, watching old Westerns, reading, bird- and squirrel-watching and music.

Music was always present in the Brown home. Strung instruments of all shapes and sizes, electric organs, clarinets, saxophones, and baritones were always present, and singing filled the house and the barn. Raymond's love of music blossomed over the years; he performed in bluegrass groups and jam sessions with anyone who would join him, and was part of a jam group that played every Thursday at the Jasper County Senior Citizens' Center. He was also a devoted grandfather.

He is survived by his wife, Marie of Newton; children Billie Bailey of Cedar Falls, Donna Brown of Newton, and Michael Brown of Cedar Falls; three grandchildren; and his siblings Walter Brown of Vancouver, Wash., Delmar Brown of Iowa City, Lyle Brown of Drinnell, and Irene Brown of Berkeley, Calif.

Raymond was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Carol Kayser; and sister, Doris Clements.