

TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY RECOGNITION REQUEST FORM

Name of Individual, Group or Organization for proposed recognition:

Mayor Ed Lowry (1998-2004)

Proposed type of Recognition (such as plaque, portrait, statue, monument):

Plaque in memorial walkway on the grounds of Town Hall

Name of individual or entity making the request and contact information:

- Contact Person: Catherine Kauffman
 - Address: [REDACTED]
 - Phone: [REDACTED]
 - Email: [REDACTED]
- Entity making request if other than contact person: Historical Advisory Committee

Thoroughly explain the contributions of the individual, group, or organization to be recognized that resulted in tangible benefits to the Town.

Edward F. Lowry was a distinguished public servant and a longtime resident of the Town of Paradise Valley. A proud and devoted member of the community for more than 60 years, Mr. Lowry served in numerous civic capacities, including as Town Magistrate and as an elected member of the Town Council, serving as Mayor from 1998 to 2004. Although he was an attorney by profession, his enduring commitment to public service and responsible community stewardship remains a defining part of his legacy in Paradise Valley.

During his tenure as Mayor, Mr. Lowry guided the Town through a period of meaningful advancement and improvement. Among his notable accomplishments were strengthening intergovernmental relations with the City of Scottsdale and resolving sanitary waste service issues, overseeing significant infrastructure improvements such as the undergrounding of utilities along major roadways, enhancing flood control along Doubletree Ranch Road, and helping establish the Barry M. Goldwater Memorial. He also led Paradise Valley in becoming the first community in Arizona to utilize rubberized asphalt, an innovation that significantly reduced

noise pollution for residents. Throughout his years of service, he remained steadfastly committed to the founding vision of Paradise Valley as a residential community characterized by low-density zoning and the preservation of its remarkable desert and mountain vistas. Throughout these years of public service, he was supported by his wife, Patsy, whose partnership contributed meaningfully to the Town and its residents.

Mr. Lowry will be remembered for the spirit of collaboration he brought to local government and for his steadfast dedication to mentoring newly elected council members, whom he guided with generosity, wisdom, and grace. His service to Paradise Valley extended well beyond his official tenure and continued in ways that enriched the cultural life of the community. Through 53 consecutive Colorado River rafting trips with friends and family, he developed a profound appreciation for the natural beauty of the Grand Canyon and transformed that passion into a lasting artistic legacy. In recognition of this contribution, he was honored as the Town's Artist in Residence from 2018 to 2019, and his photography was exhibited at Town Hall. As Mayor Mark Stanton stated, "His steady leadership, sound judgment, and positive spirit earned him the respect and appreciation of colleagues and residents alike, and his contributions helped shape the values and direction of the community he loved."

If the Town Council deems this recognition to be paid from an outside source, provide a detail of how funds will be raised.

Suggested wording to be printed on Town recognition:

IN MEMORY OF
EDWARD "ED" LOWRY

Ed Lowry served the Town of Paradise Valley for decades as magistrate, mayor (1998 – 2004), and community member. He remained devoted to the Town's founding vision of a residential community defined by low-density zoning with beautiful desert and mountain vistas —a legacy that will endure for generations.

Has the individual, group, or organization consented to being recognized by the Town?

This recognition is posthumous.

Date submitted to TPV Historical Advisory Committee: May 13, 2026

Signature of Contact Person: Catherine Kauffman