

## Tribute—Joe Lieper By John Kelley

### My Friend Joe—The Guiding Light for two Gun Collecting Clubs

Without Joe there would not be much of the Colorado Gun Collectors Association or the Colorado Military Collectors Club.

When Joe was President of the GGCA he and Bill Pittman re-certified the club and, along with Les Palmer, guided the club through some rough times to make it what it is today.

I always valued his help and guidance all the time that I have been with the club. He also kept the Military Collectors Club together with presentations and emails!

I am losing a great friend who will be sorely missed and he has made me see that I need to get my own house in order! Nothing lasts forever except the memories of a great friend. This world will be a much poorer place without Joe and we celebrate all of the things that he has done for so many in our world.