

Ray Lammers Music House

Cincinnati, Ohio

Occasional brass instruments show up with the name “Ray Lammers” on them. They are probably all US made stencil horns from some unidentified maker.

1897 Raymond L. Lammers is born in Cincinnati

1911-1922 Ray sells instruments at the Milner Music House then the Anderson Piano Company; he is also a professional drummer

1923 Ray starts his own band and orchestra instrument business, leasing part of the Starr Piano Co. store at #27 West 4th St.

1924 Ray sells King brand saxophones and band instruments, Paramount banjos, Gibson strings, & Ludwig drums

1928 moves to #123 East 6th St., Ray Lammers Music House

1932 moves to #534 Walnut St.

1938 his wife Cecelia is now also listed with him

1947 incorporates as Ray Lammers Music House, Inc.

1964 now at #610 Walnut St., moved here after 1941

1975 Ray dies on October 20th, age 78

1982 son-in-law Ivo Gerken retires after running the store for many years

1988 the company is officially dissolved

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The cornet and trumpet on the right have a similar design with the double pipe brace and round, pointed bell braces. They appear to match the Cleveland Musical Instrument Co. Gladiator models from the late 1930s. (photos below)

