



Clifford Ingraham

January 15, 2009

Cliff was born in Clinton, Ind., to Clarence Ingraham and Mary Sahn Ingraham on Sept. 18, 1914. The family moved to the Chicago area when he was about twelve. After graduating from high school in 1932 he and his older brother spent a year in Oregon working with the Civilian Conservation Corps. He also spent a year working on a ship on Lake Michigan. He married Dorothy Wall in 1937. They had three children, Judy, Pete and Dave. The family moved to Fort Collins in 1949. They owned and operated a small bowling alley on Linden Street. He started at Colorado A&M now CSU in 1952 managing the bowling alley in Johnson Hall. He later advanced to the main office and became the facilities director of the Lory Student Center until retiring in 1977. He and Dorothy divorced in 1971. In May 1972 he married Melanie Sarapu. Melanie died in 1977. He married Norma Smith in October 1987. Norma died in 2008. Cliff enjoyed golfing and fishing with his two boys. He instilled a love of golf in his sons and grandsons. He liked reading and music. In his late 50's he purchased an organ and took lessons. He was very proud of his home and yard. He thought his yard was "The best in the neighborhood". When he was in his 80's he also entered the 21st century and learned how to use his computer and cell phone. He is survived by his daughter, Judy Gueswel and her husband, Jim; his daughter in law, Edwina Ingraham; Melanie's girls, Rita Lagerstedt and Anita Otis; and Norma's children, Nancy Fitzgerald Dennis, Linda Keeton Jim and Paul Liz Smith. He is also survived by his only remaining sibling, Harold Ingraham Jeannie; grandchildren, Scott Shockley,

Steve Shockley, Stacey Gollobith, Pam Valdez, Peter Ingraham, Beth Culpepper, Ruth Ingraham, Linnea Ingraham and Spencer Ingraham, Tim Gueswel, Carie Gueswel and Dianna Barrett. Also surviving are eleven great grandchildren, the families of Melanie and Norma, and numerous nieces and nephews. Cliff was preceded in death by his two sons, Pete Ingraham and David Ingraham, his great grandson, Brian Shockley; his wives, Dorothy, Melanie and Norma; parents and eight siblings. A memorial service will be held at the Bohlender Funeral Chapel Monday Jan. 19 at 10 a.m. Memorial contributions can be made to Pathways Hospice in care of Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive St., Fort Collins, CO 80524. Friends may send condolences to the family at bohlenderfuneralchapel.com.