



Harry Lee Ahlbrandt

January 20, 1929 - July 17, 2025

Harry Lee Ahlbrandt passed away July 17, 2025 in Cheyenne, WY. He was born at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins, CO on January 20, 1929. He was the second son of Carl and Dorothy Ahlbrandt. Harry grew up in Wellington on the family farm with his two brothers Carl Jr. and Jack.

Harry was very proud of his time at Wellington High School and enlisted in the US Army during the Korean War where he was stationed in Germany. Harry was a proud veteran, a valued member of the Wellington Lions Club, and highly respected member of the American Legion for over 50 years. When he returned from Germany, he met Arlene Briggs of Fort Collins, CO and wed on September 19, 1953. Harry and Arlene had three sons Jerry, James "Jim", and Joe (Michelle).

Harry continued farming until he went to work for Colorado State University's motor pool. Then in 1988 Harry retired as the fleet manager. After retirement, Harry and Arlene traveled the world extensively exploring the Wonders of the World. In his free time Harry enjoyed a variety of hobbies including: working in his yard, gardening, and working in his wood-shop, as he was a very talented woodworker.

Harry and Arlene were blessed with four grandchildren, JC Ahlbrandt (Sierra), Chelsea Ahlbrandt (Pete), Hayden Ahlbrandt (Kait), and Straten Ahlbrandt

(Sammy). They were also blessed with nine great grandchildren: Braydon, Jordin, Serenity, Peyton, Charlie, Stella, Frankie, Otto, and Bodhi. Harry was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers Carl and Jack, his wife Arlene, his son Jerry Lee, his son James John, and his great grandson Brayden Gage.

Harry was beloved by his family and enjoyed by all who met him. He enjoyed singing songs that his caring nurses at the VA Living Center at Cheyenne can attest to. His family wishes him peace, love, and a rum and coke without a hole in the bottom of the cup.

His life will be remembered on Wednesday July 30th.

Funeral services will take place at 11:00 a.m. Followed by a luncheon at First United Methodist Church, 1005 Stover St. in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Internment will be 2:00 PM at the family plot at Grandview Cemetery with military honors.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

First United Methodist Church
1005 Stover Street
80524

Funeral Service

JUL 30. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

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1005 Stover Street
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Graveside Service with Military Honors

JUL 30. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (MT)

Grandview Cemetery
1900 W. Mountain Ave.
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Tribute Wall

JL

“ I worked with Harry at the CSU motor pool when I was in college there. Loved the guy. He liked to tell jokes, some of them made up by him, often a little racy. I didn't know he was a singer. Me too, and I still sing. I guess we had more in common than I thought. The only song I remember him singing was the Four Leaf Clover ditty, with his own lyrics, and I won't repeat them here. But he was always humming a tune. He'd come out from under the hood of a motor pool car, wiping his hands with a red shop rag, and give me the chuckles. Memories. Nostalgia.

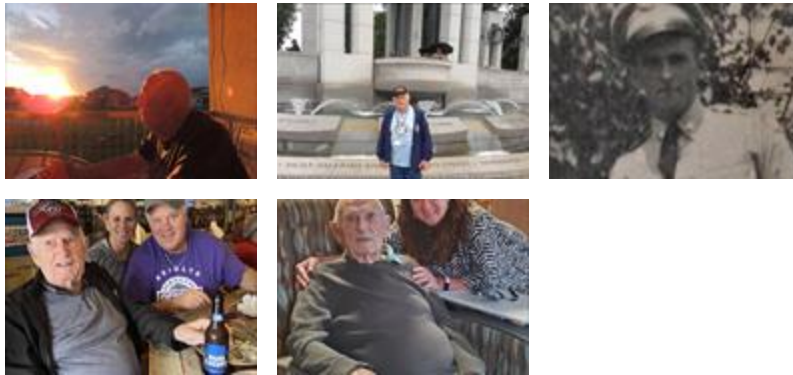
Jim Laurienti - December 01, 2025 at 12:32 PM

JB

“ There was not a time in my life that my Uncle Harry wasn't in it. He was raised a farmer, enlisted in the army during the Korean war, and then a top mechanic at CSU, he had great work ethics and led by example. In his retirement years, he enjoyed woodworking. He was a very talented man.

I cherish the past 14 years or so when I have been able to visit and get to know him. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was a great singer, but he was also insightful, pensive, and encouraging. I loved hearing his music and him singing along. I even learned some of those tunes with him (like Bushel and A Peck)! On my visits, we solved the daily crossword, took drives in the mountains, watched Wheel of Fortune and Jeopardy, and went to his church together. He was the last of my parents' generation in my family and will be sorely missed.

Rest in peace dearly loved Uncle Harry!



Judy Bauman - July 28, 2025 at 05:56 PM

SC

“ I will always cherish the love and many happy memories with my Uncle Harry!
My sincere condolences to the Harry Ahlbrandt Family!



Susan Clifton - July 27, 2025 at 10:01 PM

MB

“ *Some of my favorite memories are evenings spent with my parents and Harry having cocktails and watching Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune. Always lots of engaging conversations and laughs! Rest in peace, Harry ❤️*
Margaret Brown

Margaret Brown - July 24, 2025 at 11:39 PM