



Carl Benedict Cicero

May 17, 1928 - November 30, 2013

Carl Benedict Cicero, 85, from Fort Collins, Colorado passed away on November 30, 2013. Carl was born on May 17, 1928 in Chicago, Illinois. Carl's early years were spent with his family in Southern California. Later, Carl met and married his lovely wife of 45 years, Betty "BJ" and together they raised 6 children in Sun Valley, California.

Carl was a faithful servant of the Roman Catholic Church, actively involved in Our Lady of the Holy Rosary parish festival, in Sun Valley, where he enjoyed performing as the Emmett Kelly clown. He also served as the Grand Knight for the Knights of Columbus Guardian Angel Council 3921 from 1974-75 in Sun Valley. Carl was a Corporal in the US Marine Corp, primarily as an aircraft mechanic during WWII.

Carl had a 35 year career with Pacific Bell, starting as an installer and moving into management. He worked mostly in Southern California and the last years in Newark, California. Carl and Betty retired and moved to Las Vegas, Nevada where they enjoyed their "golden years" having lots of fun in the sun and in the casinos. Carl spent his final years with wonderful care at Lemay Avenue Health and Rehab in Fort Collins.

Carl loved a good joke as much as he enjoyed playing a good prank. He had a special talent for fixing things and for a few years in retirement was "Mr. C" the repairman. Carl's favorite pastimes were playing golf, poker and dancing.

Carl was preceded in death by his wife, Betty (1995). He is survived by his children: Carl "Jerry" (Lori) of Fort Collins; Victoria "Vicki" (Franco) Peralta of Las Vegas; Christina "Tina" (George) Pearson of Bullhead City, AZ; Carla (Thomas) Altepeter of Spokane, WA; Toni of Fort Collins and Thomas "Tom" (Sandy) of Las Vegas. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren, 2 step-grandchildren and 1 great-grandson.

Carl was loved and respected by everyone he met and will be truly missed.

Recitation of the Rosary will be said at 7:00 pm, Sunday, December 15th at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Fort Collins. A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 am, Monday, December 16th at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, concluded by full military honors. The celebration gathering and luncheon will follow in Mother Seton Hall.

On December 30, 2013, a Memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 am at St. Joseph, Husband of Mary Parish in Las Vegas, followed by a procession to lay Carl to rest next to Betty at Bunkers Memory Gardens Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association (www.alz.org).

Events

DEC **Rosary** 07:00PM - 07:30PM

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

5450 South Lemay Avenue, Fort Collins, CO, US, 80525

DEC **Memorial Mass** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Comments



“ We wish to say Thank You to your loved one for his service to our great country. Our sympathies are with your family

Marine Corps League Auxiliary
Fort Collins, CO

Marine Corps League Auxiliary - December 08, 2013 at 03:37 PM



“ I remember Carl's hat. A big black one that by today's lexicon would definitely be "gangsta." But his smile and the twinkle in his eyes dissolved that look into a big, gruff teddy bear. What I know about Carl mostly comes from hearing about him through Carl and Lori as they devotedly involved him into every aspect of their family life. The good thing is that Carl will live on through all these great and wonderful family stories, many of which, I'm sure, have never been told! Love to all the Ciceros.
~ The Morses

Darlene Morse - December 08, 2013 at 10:36 AM



“ Meeting and getting to know Carl is one of the highlights of my life, I would say. We became instant friends while in Rome. The same thing goes for Toni too. I always loved meeting him for dinner in Las Vegas. Then we would go play poker and he always tried telling me I was doing it wrong, but then I would look at him and say, "then why do I have more chips than you". I loved it when he moved to Ft Collins, We enjoyed many dinners and margs at the Rio . Carl you were and still are a special man. You will live on happily in my heart. I will always remember our good times together. Even when LULU chewed up my favorite sandal I still could not be upset with her. Then adding Jerry and Lori and their kids to the mix made my heart soar. Your children and you will always be apart of my life. I just wish we could have had more time together. I love you Carl. Your wife was one lucky lady to have found you. Have a dance for me. Love and God Bless

Gina M Wadas

Gina M Wadas - December 07, 2013 at 01:11 PM



“ In 1974 I had the pleasure of meeting a man who was professional, genuine, worked by example, and was true to himself. That man was Carl Cicero. I had only been with the phone company for about 6 months when I transferred to the Rampart office. It was there that I met Carl. It was there that Carl told me if I was willing to work hard I could achieve any goal I set for myself. I so appreciate the fact he took the time to sell me on me. With a gentle hug I bid you farewell.

Helen Lamb-Orendorf

Helen Lamb-Orendorf - January 04, 2014 at 10:59 AM