



Clay Hogan

September 26, 1919 - September 19, 2009

H. Clay Hogan, Jr., age 89 of Loveland, Colorado, died September 19, 2009; one week shy of his 90th birthday in Fort Collins. Cremation is planned and interment, with full military honors at Fort Logan National Cemetery - Denver will be held on December 8, 2009 at 11:00 am, Staging Area A. A light lunch will follow at Pinehurst Country Club, 6255 West Quincy Ave. - Slightly South and East of Ft. Logan National Cemetery. Clay Hogan was born September 26, 1919 in Portage, Wisconsin to Herbert and Leone Hogan. His family owned and operated a candy shop in Osh Kosh, which he worked in as he grew up. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin at Madison with degrees in Philosophy and Economics. Clay boxed welterweight while at the university. During WWII, he served in the U. S. Navy as a fighter pilot. He served in the Asiatic - Pacific Theater and by the time the war was over, received the Purple Heart and Navy Cross commendations among several others. On May 31, 1946, Clay married Patricia Jean O'Neill in Milwaukee. They moved to Denver, Colorado and later Boulder in the early 1950's. He bought Boulder Taxi Company and ran it for six years, then went into banking. He worked for many years for Aetna Life Insurance and retired in the mid 1970's and bought the Essex House Motel in Littleton. Over the years, Clay enjoyed horseback riding, skiing, tennis, golf and good friends and was a member of the Boulder Country Club for over 50 years. Clay is survived by his wife, Patty Hogan; daughter, Holly (and Mark) Trumble of Loveland; four grandchildren, Melissa Lopprino, Shannon Hogan, Lynsay McLaughlin and Trevor Trumble; and six great-grandchildren, Shaylyn, Jordan, Megan, Cassidy, Caedon and Xander, with one on the way. He was preceded in death by sons, Terrence Clay and Patrick Dion Hogan. The family requests that any memorial donations please be made, in lieu of flowers, to Hearts and Horses Therapeutic Riding Center, 163 N. C.R. 29, Loveland, CO 80537

Comments



“ Clay has always been a dear friend of the family and we always enjoyed his smile and jovial mood.

I remember many New Year's eves in Winter Park when the parents would be going out to dinner and always hearing Clay as they left.

Our prayers and thoughts are with Clay's family in this time of mourning.

John & Patsy Thompson

John & Patsy Thompson - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Patty and Holly,
Thinking of you and my thoughts and prayers are with you.
Betsy

Betsy Aspinwall - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ We will miss you Clay. I also miss seeing Patty since you moved to Loveland.

Jim and Anita Cowdery - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Patty, Holly and family,
I find that some of my earliest memories include Clay.....memories of ski trips, tennis, and golf, watching your "Play Group" perform (we're talking 50 years ago, or so!), your annual Christmas Day open houses, and years of friendship with my folks and my brother Scott.
What a very special man! May loving memories of Clay warm and comfort your hearts.
Kevin Carlson

Kevin Carlson - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Thinking of you guys. My condolences, I have missed having Clay around.
Kathy

Kathy Angelopoulos - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Holly, Patti and family. Our sincerest condolences in the passing of Clay. Our thought and prayers are with you.

Coral & Don Yakel - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Clay Hogan was a friend of my parents, Ed and Pat Trumble. I remember "Mr. Hogan's" big smile and hearty laugh. And he was a heck of a good skier.

One year at Christmas, the Hogans had an open house. It was in the late 1960s and I was in high school. As sometimes happens in Colorado in December, the day was unseasonably warm. Canadian geese were flying overhead and I was drinking my first "spiked" egg nog, and loving it. I remember Clay dressed in a colorful holiday vest. He was a good-looking man and always a sharp dresser. He seemed happy and proud. Something about that day anchored that memory in my mind.

Tom Trumble - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Holly & Patty,
Clay will be remembered for many things, but mostly for me it was the twinkle in his eye and his warm Irish smile!
All this time I've known the family (Holly & I since Kindergarten!)and never knew our dads were born the same year/same month!
My thoughts and prayers for you and your family Holly--Love you friend!

Peggy Marsh - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My parents Melvin and Estella Kraft were neighbors across the street from 1975 until their passing in 2004. They thought very high of Patty and Clay and enjoyed the tennis court together. We moved in with my parents in 1998 and enjoyed talking with and watching Clay take the dogs for a walk. He was always a happy person with a smile on his face. The neighborhood has not been the same since he left.
Our condolences go out to Patty and family. May the Lord give you comfort.
Myrna Greene

Myrna and Lindsey Greene - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Patty, Holly, Mark, and Family: We are very sad for your loss, and we will miss Clay so much. We plan to attend the Fort Logan National Cemetery services, and we look forward to seeing all of you there. Clay was a man of so many qualities and accomplishments, that when we read his obituary on September 23 in the paper, we had no idea of three fourths of all the things he had done! What a full and marvelous life. Linda and I cannot express our gratitude enough to the men and women of the "Greatest Generation." Clay's Navy Cross and Purple Heart are an obvious testament to his dangerous and important military service in World War Two. Clay risked life and limb to defend the U.S.A. Love to you all, Tim and Linda Trumble.

Tim and Linda Trumble - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Clay (and Patty) when they had to get a connecting flight in Atlanta to Denver. Dion was living in Atlanta at the time and that is where we met. Clay was so charming and funny and I instantly fell in love with his Irish charm. That was in 1989 and later that year when Dion and I married, I felt so honored to be a part of this wonderful Hogan clan. Dion and I moved to Denver in 1991 and I really got to know Clay. I will miss him but know that he had almost 90 really good years. I know he is with his two sons now as well as his Eternal Father. I am blessed to have known him and loved him.

John&Melissa Lopprino - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Hogan Family,

I just discovered that Clay has passed away. I wish I had known and could have been there. He was small of stature but one of the biggest men I ever met. Through my years as tennis professional I have had the privilege to know many famous and powerful people. None have I met that I admired more than Clay Hogan. Once, Clay took me to a business event as his guest. During the luncheon they asked if anyone had a guest they would like to introduce. Clay proceeded to introduce me and said such wonderful things about me that I felt a little self-conscious. There are few people in this world whose respect I want. I am proud to say that I had Clay Hogan's. I will visit Clay at Ft. Logan this summer. God bless.

John Williams - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM