

Floyd T. (Ted) Sproles

Our Lord and Savior sent his angels to escort Ted home April 17, 2003. He left this world for his rewards in heaven quietly and peacefully in his sleep. His last 10 years had been a constant battle with many medical problems as he bravely faced and conquered one serious and painful problem after another. All who knew him admired his amazing strength and fighting spirit. He was 67 years old.

Ted was born Jan. 13, 1936, in Loveland to Floyd M. and Velma (Wages) Sproles. He was raised by his paternal grandparents and was a lifelong resident of Loveland.

He was a seaman in the U.S. Navy on the DD Evans and USS Cunningham deployed in the South Pacific 1955-1959. Prior to and also after active duty he served four additional years in the Navy Reserves.

Ted married the love of his life, Pat Sproles, Feb. 14, 1961, in Colorado Springs. She preceded him in death Feb. 22, 2000. They had a son, Teddy Dean Sproles, born Oct. 28, 1961.

Ted worked for Safeway, primarily in downtown Loveland, for 35 years. He was retired.

All who knew and loved Ted benefited from his generosity and loving spirit. His greatest joy was in giving. Even during his most difficult times he always offered his time, concern and assistance to those he loved. He was always going out of his

way to give to others, yet never asked for anything in return.

He loved the outdoors and caring for his pets. His Dalmatian, Tip, was his best friend and constant companion. Exploring Colorado's trails and ghost towns and studying their history were favorite pastimes. He was also a U.S. military historian and collector. His extensive knowledge and understanding of history dating back to before the Civil War was impressive.

Ted is survived by his son, Ted D. Sproles, wife Kathleen and granddaughters Ashley and Amber of Post Falls, Idaho; sister-in-law Bobbie Wart and husband Don Skoczelas of Loveland; mother-in-law Betty Wart of Loveland; and canine best friend Tip. He will also be greatly missed by dear friends, especially home health aides Vicki Ott and Leslie Jarrow and neighbors Chuck and Betty Doleshall, Jim and Judy Wise and Jona Johnson.

A celebration of Ted's life will be held 2 p.m. Friday at Kibbey-Fishburn Funeral Chapel, the Rev. Bill Beard officiating. Military honors at Resthaven Memory Gardens will follow. Visitation will be 4-6 p.m. today, with family present.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Larimer Humane Society in Ted's name.



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