



## Albert Lee Coleman

May 21, 1943 - May 7, 2016

Albert (Lee) Coleman, Jr., born May 21, 1943 in Portland, Oregon, passed away on May 7, 2016 from a heart attack in Newberg, Oregon.

Lee was a 1961 graduate of Beaverton High School and further graduated from Portland State University.

He went on to enjoy a rewarding career in Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue Service, retiring after 31 years. He was the author and creator of programs that are still in place to this day in TVF&R. Among those are: Employees Assistance Program; The Chaplaincy Service; EMS; Juvenile Fire Setters Prevention Counseling and many others. He incorporated the talents of staff and community leaders into each project which allowed the fingerprints of many to be in on the cutting edge of fire service expansion.

He was married to Patricia Crosby and they became parents of Jeff and Laurie Coleman. Patricia passed away in 1987. He later married Ellie Bennett and brought three more children into the family: Andy; Rob and Susie. We became the Blondes and Brunettes.

He had several hobbies: the perfect yard; building decks, gazebo, birdfeeders and many other woodworking projects. He loved to free-hand images of beloved cartoon characters and then frame them for his den. He enjoyed

belonging to Barnstormers Remote Control Airplane Club and, yes, to build his own plane!

He had his hand in just about everything EXCEPT camping! He loved the Oregon beaches and taking photos of bridges along the Coast.

Near and dear to his heart were his grand children: Casey and Natalie; Peyton and Kaylee; Sammie and Reese; Jordan and Shae; Tatiana and Chandler; Devan, Anthony and Ellis. Also: Cody and Samantha.

Survivors include: Wife Ellie; Jeff, Laurie; Andy; Rob and Susie - children. Brother Greg Coleman and Abby-kitty.

Preceded in Death: Albert (Casey) Coleman, Sr and Mary Coleman - Parents. Larry Coleman - Brother.

If desired, donations may be made to Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue - Chaplaincy Fund, Oregon Food Bank or a charity of your choice.