

# In Memoriam



AMELUNXEN



FINNEY



FROMME



JOHNSTON



KOCH



McCLAIN



RODHAM



RUFFO

**DAVID W. FROMME '50**, of Medford, Ore., died May 24. A native of Glendale, he was inducted into the U.S. Army in 1945, attended Army Finance School, and attained the rank of corporal in the finance department, serving at Fort McArthur and Camp Beale. Fromme was owner of The David Fromme Company, a private real estate appraisal company based in Medford, and a member of the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers. He was interested in hunting and fishing, and a member of the Rotary Club of Medford and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

**JOHN W. FINNEY '51**, of Portland, Ore., died May 18. Born in Emporia, Kan., Finney moved to Los Angeles with his family at a young age and attended Santa Monica High School, CMC, and UCLA. He was on the PGA Tour in the early 1950s before moving to Oregon and founding his own manufacturer's representative firm.

**ROBERT "FRITZ" AMELUNXEN '55**, of Santa Fe, N.M., died April 20. Amelunxen, who worked as an account representative and stock broker with Dean Witter & Co. and Blalack & Wells, transitioned into a long-term career at Kachesca Ltd./Dunkin Donuts in 1970. Classmate **CHUCK MADARY '55** writes, "I'm sorry to have to report that my good friend and classmate, Robert 'Fritz' Amelunxen passed away peacefully. Fritz has been in the Alzheimer's unit of a rest home in Santa Fe, N.M., since 2005. Both of his daughters were with him at the time of his passing."

**G. TERYL KOCH '55**, of Rancho Mirage, died May 25. He studied political economy at CMC. Koch retired as CEO and owner of Colamco, Inc., in 1989, selling five manufacturing plants and saying goodbye to more than 500 employees. In retirement, he enjoyed playing golf, participating in activities at Club Morningside, and traveling. He was the brother of **ALAN KOCH '51**, who preceded him in death.

**WILLIAM McCLAIN JR. '56**, of Decatur, Ga., died on July 20, 2007. McClain was born in National City and attended Grossmont Union High School, where he was student body president, competed in cross country and track, and participated in the National Forensic League. At CMC, which he attended from September 1955 to May 1956, he studied business, served as president of his freshman class, and played dorm football.

**GUILLERMO RUFFO '59**, of La Paz, Baja California, Mexico, died in May 2007. Ruffo was a member of the general honor society and the military honor society at the Harvard School in North Hollywood, where he competed in tennis, football, and track; he was recognized for good conduct, drill team, best company, and best platoon. At CMC, he belonged to the Knickerbocker Club, played freshman tennis, was a Dean's List student, and was president of Green Hall. He built his career in merchandising and retail, working for his family's flagship department store, La Perla de la Paz and later the Ruffo Group, the chain of stores' administrative organization, along with his brother, **EDUARDO RUFFO '50**. He is survived by his wife, Martha.

**JULIUS JOHNSTON III '68 P'98**, of Carpinteria, died June 16. At the College, he competed in varsity football, varsity track, and rugby, and received the Chemical Rubber Company's Mathematical Achievement Award. After graduating from CMC with a B.A. in economics, he earned his master's degree in business economics from Claremont Graduate University. Johnston began his career in computer technology for the Boeing Company and worked there for 25 years before retiring as vice president of the Wing Responsibility Center. Johnston is survived by his wife, Susan (PIT '72), and three sons: **JULIUS IV '98**, Peter, and Andrew.

**ROBERT A. KALAN '72**, of Bellevue, Wash., died in August 2008. After graduating *magna cum laude* from CMC, he earned his master's degree in education from Claremont Graduate University. Kalan, a senior writer and editor for The Boeing Company, also wrote five award-winning children's books: *Rain*; *Blue Sea*; *Jump, Frog, Jump!*; *Stop, Thief*; and *Moving Day*. His hobbies included fishing, photography, boating, and music.

**LINDA J.A. (PICK) RODHAM '94 P'06**, of Iowa City, Iowa, died recently. Rodham transferred to CMC from California State University, Long Beach, in fall 1991. Through the College's community service grant internship program, she volunteered at the New Beginnings chemical dependency center in Lakewood, where she facilitated group discussions, talked with patients in detox units, and assisted with physical therapy sessions. She was a member of the first McNair Scholars Program at the Claremont Graduate University. After graduating *cum laude* from CMC at 46, she attended the University of Iowa Law School. She was the mother of **CASEY PICK '06**.