

U.S.S. COGSWELL DD-651 ASSOCIATION



**19TH NATIONAL REUNION
OCTOBER 10-12, 2017
HOTEL ELEGANTE
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO**

IN MEMORIAM
ORVIL EUGENE WILLIAMS
AUGUST 12, 1945 – AUGUST 16, 2017



Orvil Eugene Williams left this life peacefully on August 16, 2017 surrounded by his family.

Orvil was born August 12, 1945 to Charles E. and Mae Arlene (Gulling) Williams of Prairie City, Iowa. When he was 12 the family relocated to Colfax, Iowa making it his home. In September of 1963 Orvil joined the U.S. Naval forces serving aboard the USS Cogswell as IC'man 2nd class during the Vietnam War. On the 15th of January 1966, he was joined in marriage with Cheryl Lynn Jones of Runnells. In 1972 they returned to Colfax where they raised their three children; David (Michele) of Newton, Charles (Deborah) of Colfax, and Alice (Kevin) Lincoln of Colfax. Orvil worked for the Bell Telephone Company for 30 years before retiring to focus on spoiling his grandchildren and wiener dogs. Orvil enjoyed building things and tinkering with engines. His family often claiming it had been "Orvilized" when he finished. He was a proud member of the American Legion, DAV, NRA, Telephone Pioneers, and the Cogswell Association.

He is survived by his wife and children, 11 Grandchildren; Charles (Hawk), Jackie (Tom), Brielle (Tyler), Seth, Christian, Kaleb, Lynn, Caleb and Isabella; 2 step-grandchildren; Samantha (Aaron) and Bailey; 3 Great grandchildren; and Brother, Marty. He preceded in death by his parents, 2 brothers Charles and Edward, and a sister, Wanita.

Orv became Treasurer of the Cogswell Association in July 2001 and performed this role in an exemplary manner. Our books were always accurate and up to date. He and Cheryl were registrars at our reunions, always the first people that members met when arriving at the reunion. Orv took the job seriously but always maintained a sense of humor and was the conscience for the Executive Board. His service to the Cogswell Association is very much appreciated.

USS Cogswell DD-651
1964-1968 IC2

R.I.P. SAILOR
FAIR WINDS AND FOLLOWING SEAS



Pictures provided by:

Chuck & Bettie Baker
Gary Phillips
George Overman
Buddy & Selena Simmermann
James & Joan Smith
John & Debra Williams



Guest Speaker
Michael R. Maixner, PhD, PE Captain USN (Ret)
and his wife Gretchen

Recovery of USS Cole



Dr. Mike Maixner
12 October 2017



1950s Crewmembers



1960s Crewmembers



Mike & Dorothy Adamsen
BT 58-60



Bettie & Chuck Baker
BM 60-63



Madeline & Clyde Beck
RD 61-62



Melissa & Evan Davis
Guests of Gale Sessions



Ron & Margaret Eberle
BM 66-68



Gary & Avis Esterby
FTG 66-69



Jack & Darlene Foster
DK 54-55



Donna & Jerry Gross
PN 66-68



Wayne Kerber
SO 51-53



Goody & Doni Kimball
GMG 59-63



Geoffrey & Vera LaDue
MM 66-69



Kathryn & Don Lansing
IC 59-60



Cheryl Williams, Alice & Kevin Lincoln
Alice – Board of Directors



Don & Tony (USMC) Maddex
FT 53-56



Darrell & Karen Martin
FTC 64-67



Mike McGivney
EM 65-67



John & Nancy Mendenhall
FT 61-65



George Overman & Terry Klich (USCG)
RM 64-66



Gary Phillips
IC 65-68



Dan Pobuda & Jean Pohlmann
MM 60-62



Gale & Carolyn Sessions
EM 64-67



Buddy & Selena Simmermann
Guests of Gale Sessions



James & Joan Smith
QM 66-67



Lamar & Carole Steigerwalt
MM 60-62



Sherri & Mack Stringfield
EM 65-66



Sue & Myron White
FTG 64-68



John & Debbie Williams
MR 66-69



Tuesday-Thursday October 10-12

Opening Reception & Hospitality Room Activities





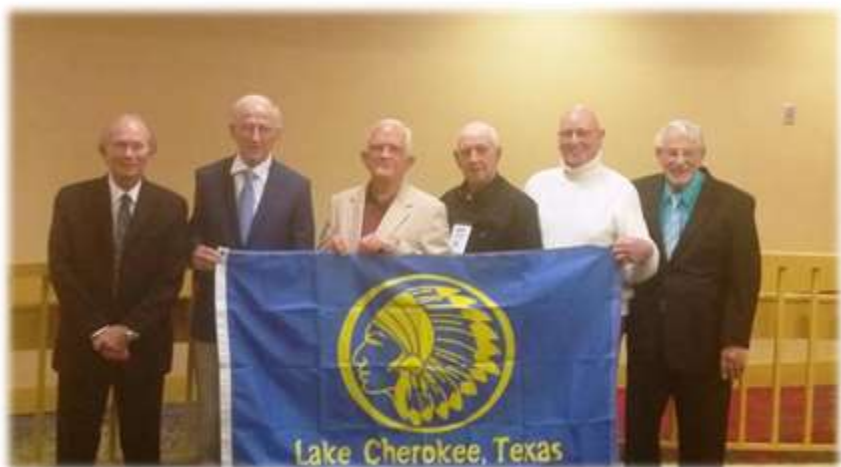












Wednesday October 11
Pikes Peak Cog Railway &
Garden of the Gods Trading Post







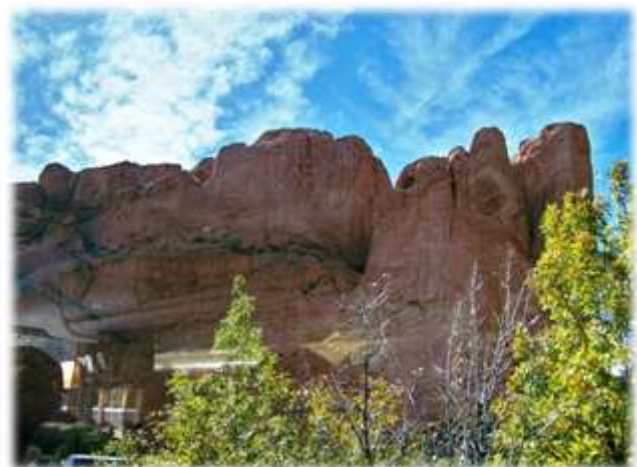
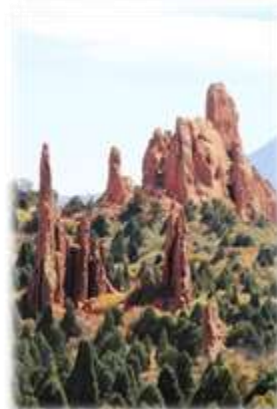








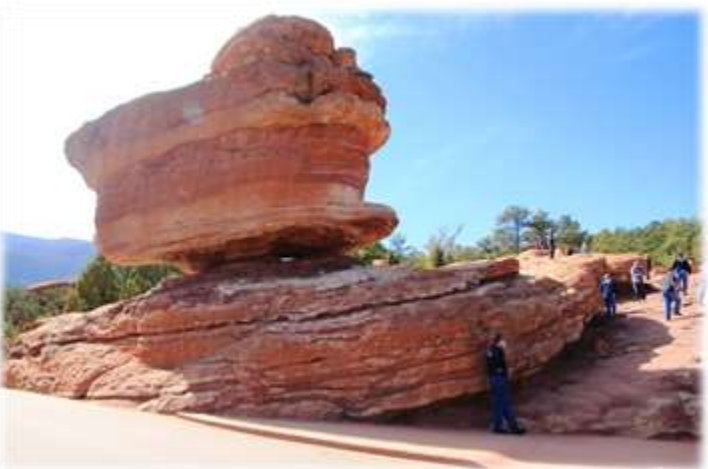


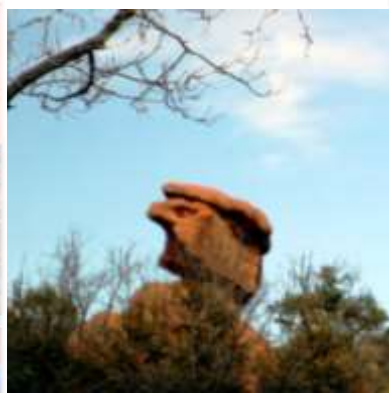


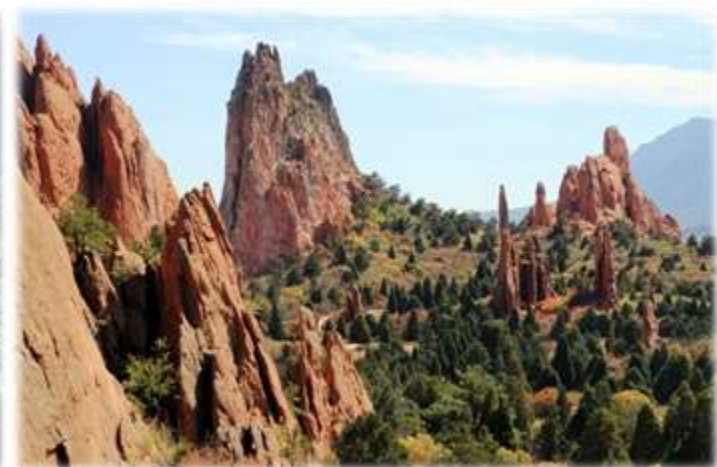
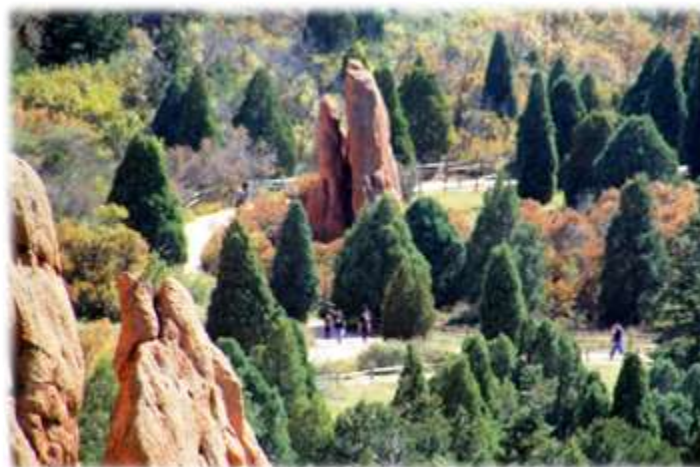












Thursday October 12
Royal Gorge Route Railroad

























Association Banquet Thursday, October 12











Radm. James
K. Cogswell



Capt. Francis
Cogswell

